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## Roberts on Spion Kop

### Commander-in-Chief Considers Thorneycroft's Retirement Was Inexcusable.

### Sir Charles Warren Blamed for Not Himself Visiting the Critical Position.

### And General Buller for Disinclination to Assert His Authority.

London, April 17.—The war office tonight publishes in the Gazette a despatch from Lord Roberts, dated February 13, submitting Gen. Buller's despatches describing the Spion Kop and other operations from January 17 to January 24. After stating Gen. Buller's intentions as communicated to Sir Charles Warren, who commanded the whole force, Lord Roberts points out that Sir Charles Warren seems to have concluded, after consultation with his officers, that the flanking movement ordered by Gen. Buller was impracticable, and therefore so changed the plan of advance as to necessitate the capture and retention of Spion Kop. Lord Roberts continues:

"As Warren considered it impossible to make the wide flanking movement which was recommended, if not actually prescribed, in the secret instructions, he should forthwith have acquainted Buller with the course he proposed to adopt. There is nothing to show whether he did so or not. But it is only fair to Warren to point out that Buller appears throughout to have been aware of what was happening."

Regarding the withdrawal from Spion Kop, the retention of which had become essential to the relief of Ladysmith, Lord Roberts says: "I regret to be unable to concur with Buller in thinking that Thorneycroft exercised wise discretion in ordering the troops to retire. I am of the opinion that Thorneycroft's assumption of responsibility and authority was wholly inexcusable. During the night the enemy's fire could not have been formidable, and it would not have taken more than two or three hours for Thorneycroft to communicate by messenger with Major-General Coke or Warren. Coke appears to have left Spion Kop at 9:30 p. m., for the purpose of communicating with Warren. Up to that hour the withdrawal had not been entertained, yet almost immediately after Coke's departure Thorneycroft issued the order without reference to the superior authority, which upset the whole plan of operations and rendered unavailing the sacrifices already made to carry it into effect. On the other hand, it is only right to state that Thorneycroft appears to have behaved in a very gallant manner throughout the day."

Gen. Buller's report commenting on Gen. Warren's reports of the capture and evacuation of Spion Kop, after disputing the correctness of some of Warren's assertions and describing some of the dangerous situations occupied by Warren's force, tells how he saw the force at Spion Kop had given way before Warren knew of it. Buller therefore telegraphed to Warren: "Unless you put a really good hard fighting man on top you will lose the hill. I suggest Thorneycroft." Gen. Buller continues:

"I have not thought it necessary to order an investigation. If at sundown the defence of the summit had been taken in hand, entrenchments laid out and the dead and wounded removed, the whole place would have been brought under regular military commands and the hills would have been held, I am sure. But no arrangements were made. Coke appears to have been ordered away just as he would have been useful, and no one succeeded him. Those on top were ignorant of the fact that the guns were coming up, and generally there was a want of organization and system that acted most unfavorably on the defence. It is admitted that all of Thorneycroft's command acted with the greatest gallantry throughout the day and really saved the situation. But preparations for the second day's defence should have been organized during the day and commenced at nightfall. As this was not done, I think Thorneycroft exercised wise discretion."

"It is to be regretted," Roberts proceeds, "that Warren did not himself visit Spion Kop in the afternoon or evening, knowing as he did that the state of affairs was very critical and that the loss of the position would involve the failure of the operations. He consequently was obliged to summon Coke to headquarters, and the command at Spion Kop thus devolved on Thorneycroft, unknown to Coke, who was under the impression that the command devolved upon Col. Hill, as senior adviser. Offences or mistakes of this nature may be trivial in themselves, yet they may exercise an important influence upon the course of events, and I believe Buller was justified in remarking the conviction that there was a want of organization and system which acted most unfavorably on the defence.

"The attempt to relieve Ladysmith was well devised, and I agree with Buller in thinking it ought to have succeeded. That it failed may in some measure have been due to the difficulties of the ground and the commanding positions held by the enemy, and probably also to errors of judgment and want of administrative capacity on the part of Warren. But whatever faults Warren may have committed, the failure must also be attributed to the disinclination of the officer in supreme command to assert his authority and see what he thought best was done, and also to the unwarrantable and needless assumption of responsibility by a subordinate officer."

The despatch concludes: "The gratifying feature of these despatches is the admirable behaviour of the troops throughout the operations."

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## Chief Main's Body Found

### Chinese Thieves Had Buried It Near the Scene of His Fatal Quest.

### Horribly Hacked With an Axe—His Dog Laid in the Same Grave.

Vancouver, April 17.—Chief of Police Main of Steveston left on Saturday morning to search Chinese shacks a mile out of town for stolen goods. Only his dog accompanied him. As Chief Main did not return, search parties were organized and have been looking for the missing man or his dead body ever since. To-day Tites, a fisherman, noticed some fresh earth overturned about a hundred yards from the shacks Chief Main went to search for stolen goods. He removed the earth and discovered the mutilated remains of the missing man. The body was horribly hacked with an axe, and the dead man's dog lay beside his master's body with its throat cut.

Chinese thieves have been arrested as the murderers, and stolen goods have been located in their shack.

### STRATHCONA'S RECRUITS.

One Victorian in the Eight Accepted in Vancouver—Command of the Police.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Vancouver, April 17.—Inspector Strickland started recruiting to-day for the fifty men to supplement the Strathcona Horse. Thirty applicants presented themselves and eight were chosen. Inspector Strickland, who is to accompany the quota as Lieutenant, will leave to-morrow with the eight Vancouver men, next stopping at Calgary, at which point a number of applicants will be examined. The Vancouver quota are:

Charles Grey, Vancouver, from England, nearest relative, Mrs. Grey, Carterton, New Zealand.

J. J. Buchanan, born in Ireland; nearest relative, Mrs. Buchanan, Morden, Man.

J. G. Macdougall, born at Ottawa, son of Hon. Wm. Macdougall, Ottawa.

A. McArthur, born in England, rancher near Vancouver.

P. B. Blackmore, ex-assistant engineer Crow's Nest road; an Englishman; nearest relative, Mrs. Blackmore, Montreal.

W. A. N. Heygate, Victoria, B.C., born in England.

P. H. Shuttlemorth, Vancouver; rancher; English; nearest relative Mrs. Shuttleworth, Dunannie, Petersfied, Hants.

A. M. Andrews, Vancouver; English; nearest relative, Mrs. Andrews, 37 South Grove, Highgate, London.

A private wire received in this city today contains the information that Major Perry has received the appointment of commissioner of the Northwest Mounted Police, vice Herchmer, and is on his way to assume command at Regina.

### THE AMEER UNEASY.

Impressed With the Gravity of Menace by Russia He Appeals to His British Ally.

Lahore, Punjaub, April 17.—That Great Britain's attitude toward Afghanistan in connection with Russian designs on Herat does not meet with approval at Cabul, the capital of Afghanistan, is proved by an autograph letter published with the Ameer's consent, in which, after referring to the various rumors, he says:

"Now, when Afghanistan is overwhelmed on all sides, the British government does not seem to take any interest, but enjoys the pride of aloofness and reserve. Whenever I have suggested a check to Russian aggression I have had no response from the government of India, except the suggestion that Afghanistan might consent to the construction of railways and telegraphs. This is impossible, as the Afghans consider that such a step would mean their ruin.

"Notwithstanding all these troubles, I have proved for the past twenty-one years the firm ally of Great Britain; but now, at the last moment, I must inform my all-powerful ally, the government of India, that the present is the time for deeds, and not for talking."

### CENTRAL AMERICAN FEUD.

Kingston, Jamaica, April 17.—News received here from Colombo says that two big battles have been fought at Matamundo and Peradoa, where the rebel forces under Gen. Rosa Ibanez and Cacaide were completely routed, a large number being killed wounded and taken prisoners.

## Pluck At Mafeking

### Though Garrison Hungry They Have Two Months' Fight in Them Yet.

### Guided by Advice Just Received Plumer May Attempt Another Assault.

### Boers Well Horsed and Fed and Encouraged by Messages From Pretoria.

Plumer's Camp, Friday, April 17.—Via Lorenzo Marques, April 18.—A letter has been received here from Commandant Snyman, with reference to the British wounded and prisoners at the Boer laager after the engagement of March 31, from which it is learned that Capt. Crewe died of his wounds. Lieut. Milligan is not a prisoner, and is believed to be among the killed. The British casualties were two officers and six men killed; three officers and 36 men wounded, and one officer and 11 men made prisoners.

The Boer artillery about Mafeking is well horsed, their pompoms are mounted on light four-wheeled carriages, each drawn by four smart horses, in marked contrast with those Col. Plumer fought with at Crocodile Pool. The Boers are, too, well mounted and well dressed and have fit looking patrols. The grain and other crops in the district are excellent, so the Transvaalers are not likely to suffer from scarcity of feed for a long time.

Plumer's little force is strongly entrenched northwest of Mafeking.

The country hereabouts is much easier traversed than that the Rhodesians are operating in.

The total casualties Saturday were 78, but many are convalescent. Men and horses are improving in health as the winter approaches.

Natives report that the inhabitants of Mafeking are very hungry, and should a flying column be despatched to their relief it would find the country well grassed and watered as it proceeds northward.

The body of Capt. Crewe has been handed over to Col. Baden-Powell and buried in Mafeking cemetery.

The Boers are being bolstered up by all sorts of stories from Pretoria, among them reports that Russia and France have declared war against Great Britain.

Mafeking, April 17.—The success of Lieut. Smith-Eman, the Rhodesian scout, who, with the exception of a Reuter correspondent, a cyclist, is the only white man who has entered Mafeking since the siege began, is likely to prove of great value to Col. Plumer, to whom he has returned with despatches, should Plumer decide to raise the siege of Mafeking in earnest.

A Scottish Crofter has introduced a method of making nourishing porridge with oat bran, which is a great boon, and is settling the question of feeding the natives.

We are now confident of holding out two months longer. The men in the trenches are determined to play the game to the end.

### WEPENER STILL SURROUNDED.

Relieving Forces Arriving From Two Directions Are Delayed by Violent Rain.

London, April 17.—(11:10 p. m.)—The war office has received the following despatch from Lord Roberts, dated Bloemfontein, Tuesday, April 17:

"Our force at Wepener is still surrounded, but it is reported that the enemy are attacking in a very half-hearted manner and are anxious about their communications, hearing that forces are approaching Wepener from two directions—one under Gen. Rundle via Reddersburg, and another under Gen. Brabant, with Gen. Hart's brigade in support, via Rouxville. On the reoccupation of Rouxville April 15, the few Boers there retired, and Gen. Brabant made some important arrests.

Violent rainstorms somewhat interfered with the march of these columns, but it is hopel they will soon be able to make their presence more decidedly felt.

"Gen. Settle reports from Kenhardt, April 14, that 200 Transvaalers made a determined attack the previous day on Dopaspoort, held by a party of Orpen's Horse. Our losses were two killed and one wounded. The enemy's losses must have been heavy, as they applied to us for doctors and an ambulance."

### THE IMPERIAL COMMISSIONS.

Twenty Canadians Now in South Africa Have a Chance—Six For Militia Officers at Home.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Ottawa, April 17.—The Governor-General issued a communication to the press to-night announcing that the Minister of Militia had selected fourteen Military College cadets for commissions in the British army. Thirty other commissions are given to Canadians, and candidates for these will be selected by His Excellency. Twenty-four will go to officers in South Africa, and Lord Roberts has been requested to transmit the names of candidates. The other six go to officers of the Canadian militia.

The house resumed to-day after the Easter recess. The budget debate is still in progress.

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# Working Up Sensation.

### Critics Would Sacrifice Generals for Error in Well Planned Campaign.

### Impatience for More Stirring Events—Roberts Outlines His Scheme.

London, April 18.—Lord Roberts' long wait and the Boer activity have seriously disturbed public equanimity. He is still three hundred miles from Pretoria. No one doubts the ultimate success of British arms, but behind the British army that crushes the Boer army an army of occupation will have to be installed. From various sources come hints that more men than are provided for will have to be sent out.

Lord Roberts indicates that at least 10,000 men are advancing to cut off the Boers who are investing Wepener. As there are reports from the Basuto border that firing has been heard in the direction of the hills towards Dewetsdorp, it is possible Gen. Chermside's advanced troops are already in connection with the Boers.

Lord Roberts wires that he expects to clear the southeastern section of the Free State, east of the railway, and then swing round to the north and turn one after another the positions held by the Boers north of Bloemfontein.

Gen. Buller's prohibition of all press telegrams in Natal until further notice is taken to indicate that a movement is about to begin there.

A despatch to the Times from Jammersberg, dated Monday, says: "On Friday the Boers tried to rush Col. Dalgetty's left front, but retired after fighting for one hour. Their attack is apparently weakening, although large numbers of fresh schansjes are visible along the enemy's position."

LORD ROBERTS' CRITICISMS.

London, April 18.—Lord Roberts' despatch pronouncing censure upon Sir Redvers Buller and Sir Charles Warren, two of his most important subordinate commanders, was written February 13, and has been in the hands of the war office for five weeks. Just why it is published now, in the middle of the campaign, is not understood, unless it is expected that Gen. Buller and Gen. Warren will ask to be relieved of their commands.

Lord Roberts' despatch with the enclosures is the great feature of the London dailies this morning. In a long editorial the Daily News speaks of the "somewhat appalling language" of the despatches, and then goes on to say: "Upon the whole these despatches are disquieting and disheartening in no ordinary degree. Following upon the recall of Gen. Gatacre, they will create a widespread feeling of uneasiness."

The Standard, which is supposed to be in the confidence of the government, says: "It is scarcely likely that the publication of Lord Roberts' despatches is without a purpose. It irresistibly suggests whether it is not to be followed by further changes in South African commands. Painful as such measures may be, there must be no hesitation in carrying them out."

Herschel, Cape Colony, April 17.—Boer patrols have re-appeared along the Orange river and at the drifts.

RING MYSTERY SOLVED.

New York, April 17.—The welterweight championship of the world changed hands to-night, when "Mysterious Billy" Smith was knocked out in the 19th round of what was to have been a 25-round battle, before the Broadway Athletic Club. The New Yorker solved the hitherto unsolvable mystery with a right-hand punch on the jaw in the 19th, sending Smith to the land of dizziness. The fight was won from the first sound of the gong.

Chicago, April 17.—In the McGovern-White fight there was no decision, as per agreement, both being on their feet at the end of the sixth round.

COUNTESS DROWNED.

Berlin, April 17.—A special despatch to the Lokal Anzeiger, which gives meagre details, regarding the loss near Minecroy of the yacht of Count Rudolphe Festist with all on board save the owner and two servants, says that among the victims was the Countess, who prior to her marriage was Miss Haggin, of New York.

A NEW SENSATION.

Rome, April 18.—The Tribune says that the forthcoming meeting of Emperor William and Emperor Francis Joseph in Berlin has in view arrangements for the occupation of Albania, European Turkey, by Austro-Hungarian troops. This statement has caused a sensation in Italy.

THE KAISER'S VISIT.

Dublin, April 17.—It is understood that Emperor William will visit England, landing at Cowes from his yacht about August 1.

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## VANCOUVER AFFAIRS.

Mr. Beebe's Narrow Escape—Howe Sound Copper—Lacrosse Tour Projected.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Vancouver, April 17.—In pursuance of the offer of William Quann to finance and manage the championship lacrosse team for 1900 on an Eastern Canadian tour, for the purpose of seeing if a British Columbia lacrosse team cannot capture the championship of the world, the Vancouver club team met last night and decided that, should they win the championship, they would go East and cross sticks with the champions of Eastern Canada.

W. J. McCusker, a clerk in the Hastings Mills, Vancouver, has been accused by his employers of embezzling $500. McCusker is married and has several children. He has been released by the police magistrate, pending his trial, on $1,500 bail.

The assizes are in progress before Chief Justice McColl. The first case, the Queen vs. Kelly and Vianeas, for murderously assaulting a Chinaman at Westminster, was laid over till Thursday owing to the death of the infant daughter of the lawyer for the defence, Alex. Henderson. The cannibalism case against George Hunt is called for to-morrow.

According to reports, $1,000,000 has been offered for the Britannia group of copper mines on Howe Sound. J. H. Adams, manager of the Britannia company, on being asked to confirm the rumor, stated that the company would not sell under $1,250,000. He said an offer had been made and a counter proposition had been made by them, which would be settled on Thursday. The Britannia mines cost the present owners $100,000 and the company is capitalized for $250,000.

While Hon. G. W. Beebe was engaged in talking to a friend in Vancouver yesterday, a fly flew into his mouth and lodged in his windpipe. According to Mr. Beebe he would have choked to death if he had not hastened to a doctor's office and received assistance.

MANITOBA AFFAIRS.

Prospective End to Liquor Licenses—Lieut.-Governor's Daughter Married—Jews' Gift to Fund.

Winnipeg, April 17.—(Special)—Premier Macdonald, when asked to-day as to the granting of licenses in view of the proposed prohibition bill, stated that licenses could not be cancelled on so short a notice, and a number would probably be issued, whether for six months or a year he was not prepared to say.

Kathleen Elliott, daughter of Lieut.-Governor Patterson, was quietly wedded to-day in All Saints church to Dr. W. H. Seymour, of Plainfield, Ohio. There were no invited guests.

Manitoba Jews waited upon Lieutenant-Governor Patterson to-day and handed him the sum of $349.85 collected for the Canadian Patriotic Fund.

Thirty bicyclists, male and female, who were riding without lanterns were fined costs at the city police court to-day.

C. P. R. PROMOTION.

Montreal, April 17.—Rodger Atkinson, mechanical superintendent of the Canadian Pacific railway has been appointed superintendent of rolling stock. The announcement is made in a circular issued by D. McNicoll, second vice-president and general manager, and approved by President Shaughnessy. The office of superintendent of rolling stock is newly created and will give Atkinson jurisdiction over car construction as well as that of locomotives. His official headquarters will, it is expected, remain as at present at Delorimier avenue.

THE KENTUCKY ASSASSINS.

Frankfort, Ky., April 17.—The grand jury has reported indictments against Caleb Powers, John Powers, Wharley Finley, Wharton Golden and W. H. Cullen as accessories, and against Henry E. Youtsey, Berry Howard, Jim Howard, Hart and White and Dick Coomlis, charged with the wilful murder of Mr. Goebel.

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ANOTHER CANADIAN DEAD.

London, April 17.—Private Wm. M. Adams, the announcement of whose death from fever in South Africa was cabled to Col. Aylmer at Ottawa to-day, was the son of Sergt.-Major Adams of the London Police force. He was about 21 years old.

OBITUARY.

Berlin, April 17.—Herr Jules Sach, the musical impressario, died at San Remo to-day.

Herr Otto Wuelfing, the well-known advocate of bi-metallism, died to-day.

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THE QUEEN'S VISIT.

Dublin, April 17.—The Queen decided to-day to revert to her original plan and will leave Ireland April 26, reaching Windsor the following morning.

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### His Idea to Override Parliament by Provincial Order-in-Council.

### Attractive Proposal to Take Over Road If It Proves Profitable Venture.

Vancouver, April 17.—Hon. Smith Curtis was a passenger on the steamer Islander to-day. On stepping on to the wharf he was asked by the Colonist correspondent if the government was to pass a special order-in-council granting the privilege to Toronto capitalists to build the road which has been known as the Kettle River road, tapping Grand Forks and vicinity.

Mr. Smith Curtis said: "Yes, under certain conditions. I myself suggested such a course. But the builder must sell the road back to the government if we want it, and the government will follow the construction of the road and ascertain the exact cost.

"The order-in-council will be passed," said Mr. Curtis, "if the government are in existence when the time comes to pass it."

STOOD BY THE MOTION.

Liberal-Conservatives Decided Not to Rescind Party Lines Resolution.

A meeting of the Liberal-Conservative Association was held last evening to discuss the political situation. A motion was proposed to rescind the one passed at the last meeting favoring party lines in the coming provincial contest. After three hours' discussion the motion was withdrawn. A convention to select candidates will be held on Monday evening next, the arrangements being perfected at a meeting of the executive of the association on Friday evening.

On being nominated by a convention of the People's Party at Nanaimo to contest Nanaimo City constituency at the coming election Mr. Ralph Smith said of Premier Martin: "His principles are first-class. If Joe Martin gets into power and brings forward the principles he has laid down I will support him. But I don't think he will get the power, and if he gets the power I don't think he will bring them forward. To say that I would not support the principles would be a misstatement, for if he brings forward a good principle I will certainly support it."

Hon. Smith Curtis as well as Hon. Mr. Ryder, will accompany Premier Martin on his Mainland tour.

VANCOUVER NOMINATIONS.

Mr. Tisdall Promises Support to the Party Line Conservatives.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Vancouver, April 17.—Charles Wilson, Q. C., addressing a meeting of Young Liberal-Conservatives, traversed the planks of the platform adopted at the convention at New Westminster, and dealt at length with the party lines question and the eight-hour law situation. He said that the eight-hour law was a mistake, though he admitted that "an" eight-hour law was wanted. He condemned the action of the Lieutenant-Governor in the arrogant assertion of his constitutional right to the detriment of provincial interests. Mr. Martin's platform, he said, was designed to catch the popular vote and at the same time ensure the support of Sir Wilfrid Laurier.

It has been decided to hold ward meetings on Tuesday of next week to nominate delegates to a convention on Wednesday, when gentlemen will be nominated to represent the Conservative party line ticket. Mr. C. E. Tisdall, ex-M. P. P., promises his support to these representatives.

VANCOUVER WORKINGMEN.

Likely to Have Candidate for Legislature—Building Trades Strike—Alien Labor.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Vancouver, April 17.—Acording to the report of Secretary Marshall of the Trades and Labor Council, the question of placing independent candidates in the field in the forthcoming provincial election will be settled, as far as Vancouver is concerned, before another week. It is understood from several different sources that each one of the twenty-eight different unions in the city has had a circular letter submitted to it for consideration. In this letter the unions are asked to decide on three questions, namely: If they approve of the candidature of independent labor men in the forthcoming election in Vancouver; if so, how many, and will they subscribe to that end, and what labor men would they suggest as candidates. Most of the unions have reported and although information could not be obtained from Secretary Watson or any of the officials or members of the executive regarding the matter it is understood that it is a foregone conclusion there will be one or more labor men in the field in Vancouver.

On Wednesday next there will be an important meeting of the parliamentary committee of the Trades and Labor Council to consider a petition sent to the Trades and Labor Councils of British Columbia regarding the importation of alien labor into Slocan from the United States. As the tailors' union of Vancouver also complain that their interests have been injuriously affected from the same cause their case will be taken up at the same time. Action will be no doubt taken in both cases and it is altogether likely, according to information received from officials of the Trades and Labor Council that the Dominion government will be appealed to.

Secretary Carter, of the Builders' Exchange, reports that the bricklayers and stonecutters are still on strike, and that what work there is to be done in that line, which is not a great deal at present, is being done by the contractors themselves.

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PART I.

Recitative—"Comfort Ye My People."
Air—"Every Valley Shall Be Exalted."
Mr. A. T. Goward.
Recit.—"Thus Saith the Lord."
Air: "Wut Who May Abide."
Mr. J. P. Jones.
Recit.—"Behold! a Virgin."
Air—"O Thou that Tellest."
Miss Laura Lowen.
Recit.—"For Behold Darkness."
Air—"The People that Walked."
Mr. Gideon Hicks.
(1) Recit.—"There Were Shepherds."
(2) Recit.—"And lo, the Angel of the Lord."
(3) Recit.—"And the Angel Said Unto Them."
(4) "And Suddenly."
Air—"Rejoise Greatly."
Air—"He Is the Righteous Saviour."
"He Is the Righteous Saviour."
Mrs. Gregson.
Recit.—"Then Shall the Eyes."
Air—"He Shall Feed His Flock."
Mrs. Janion.
Air—"Come unto Him."
Mrs. Green.

PART II.

Air—"He Was Despised."
Miss Edith Lombard.
Recit.—"All They that See Him."
Mr. E. A. Planta.
Recit.—"Thy Rebuke Hath Broken."
Air—"Behold, and See."
Mr. E. A. Planta.
Recit.—"He was Cut Off."
Air—"But Thou Dost Not Leave."
Mrs. Gregson.
Air—"How Beautiful Are the Feet."
Miss E. Sehl.
Air—"Why Do the Nations."
Mr. W. H. Barton.
Recit.—"He Dwelleth in Heaven."
"Thou Shalt Break Them."
Mr. H. J. Cave.

PART III.

Air—"I Know that My Redeemer Liveth."
Mrs. F. B. Pemberton.
Recit.—"Behold, I Tell You a Mystery."
Air—"The Trumpet Shall Sound."
Mr. J. G. Brown.

Miss Beverley Robinson, the noted soprano, who sang last here with Madam Albani, as she is engaged to be in Victoria before the 28th instant, has kindly consented to give her services.

The next practice will be in the drill hall on Friday, beginning at 8 sharp.

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MARRIED.

INNES-WOLFENDEN—On the 16th April, at St. Paul's church, Esquimalt, by the Rev. C. Ensor Sharp, assisted by the Venerable Archdeacon Scriven, Charles Bishop, second son of J. H. Innes, Esq., of Upper Norwood, London, Eng., to Roberta Elizabeth, second daughter of Lt.-Col. R. Wolfenden, of Victoria, B.C.

DIED.

PARTRIDGE—At St. Mary's Hospital, New Westminster, April 16th, 1900, Thomas John, eldest son of Thomas J. and the late Eliza Partridge, of Victoria, a native of Norfolk, England; aged 49 years.

The funeral will take place from the family residence, 113 Quadra street, TO-DAY (Wednesday, the 18th instant), at 2:30 p.m., and St. John's church at 2:45 o'clock.

Friends will please accept this intimation.

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# THEATRICAL

## McINTOSH AS "PUDD'NHEAD."

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With all respect and deference to those wise men whose words in Burr McIntosh's behalf have been treasured by the advance agent, the grand old play of "Pudd'nhead Wilson" is not the same with Mayo gone from the central role.

Not that Mr. McIntosh is a weak or mediocre actor—far from that. Had Mayo not given American play-goers his perfect realization of the sweet and loveable character, Mr. McIntosh's "Pudd'nhead" might even have been destined for lasting fame.

After Mayo that is impossible, for the new star lacks that in which his predecessor was most strong—the quiet intensity that makes climaxes doubly valuable; the stately, chivalrous courtesy of the old school of Southern aristocracy; the smile that was all sweetness; and the dignified repose and just-suggested sadness of a solitary genius in a little world incapable of understanding. Let critics if they will commend Mr. McIntosh's creation. But let Mayo's be not degraded by comparison—it was such a characterization as a great actor should joy to have remembered after death, a masterpiece of sweetness, repose, calm dignity and strength.

In its place Mr. McIntosh gives a more rugged "Pudd'nhead," one standing out in less sharp contrast with the little world in which it moves; perhaps more possible, but a less idyllic type. It has many examples of well studied and commendable art and is certain to please and to deserve applause.

The supporting company is virtually the same as that surrounding Mr. Mayo when he last was here. Mr. Frank Campeau, the original Tom Driscoll with that most exasperating, grating, sneering laugh, is just the embodiment of double-distilled meanness, cowardice and viciousness that the part requires; Miss Nina Morris plays Roxey with a feverish intensity and dramatic fervor that is magnificent. Mrs. Edwin Mayo returns to the ingenue part of Rowey; Mr. Wm. R. McKay still does his inimitable eccentric character sketching as Blake the sheriff—and all the other parts are just the same.

"Pudd'nhead Wilson" is a play that is bound to last as one of the few masterpieces of the true American drama. Such plays are all too few.

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Mr. Willie Collier in a new farce will be a great attraction to theatre-goers at the Victoria Theatre Friday evening. Mr. Collier, after many palpable hits in the plays of other writers, is now making absolutely the chief success of his career in "Mr. Smooth," a new, ingenious, witty and ultrahilarious farce, the story of which was conceived and the play constructed by Mr. Collier himself, so that he has now placed himself high in the limited list of successful actor-authors of America. It is natural, therefore, to suppose that the title part fits Mr. Collier like a glove. He takes the part of a suave, plausible, genteel young man, who introduces himself to the president of a bank as the son of a former partner who has left for foreign lands. He quickly ingratiates himself with the manager, makes love to the daughter, and everything is going along swimmingly until the return of the real Mr. Smooth. This of course creates most intricate and humorous complications, which give Mr. Collier opportunities for some of his most characteristically funny scenes in the way he has to prevaricate himself out of the difficulties, which of course have a final happy denouement in his inheriting an unexpected fortune and marrying the banker's daughter. Mr. Collier is supported by his own admirable company, including Louise Allen Collier, Helene Collier, Helen Reimer, John F. Ward and George W. Parsons.

## DECEIVING THE HOUSE.

Statement Respecting Resident Engineer Admitted to Have Been Altogether Wrong.

When in the House of Commons recently Col. Prior inquired as to what steps had been taken to fill the vacancy caused by the removal from British Columbia of the late resident engineer of the public works department, and for the names of applicants for the position, he was informed by the minister in charge that Mr. Roy's transfer was only temporary, and there being no vacancy it would not be proper to mention the names of applicants. How contrary to facts this answer was—as indeed was notorious to all interested in the matter—is shown by the following supplementary reply, appearing in a later issue of the Commons Hansard:

"The Postmaster-General (Mr. Mulock)—Before you leave the question, I would like to be allowed to correct an answer I made on Wednesday last to a question by the hon. member for Victoria, B.C., (Mr. Prior). He asked whether Mr. Roy, the resident engineer in British Columbia, had been removed, and I then mentioned that he was temporarily removed. My attention was called to that answer by a member of the House, and on consultation with the deputy, I found he had misunderstood the question. Mr. Roy, the late resident engineer, I find, has been permanently removed from New Westminster, to the department here. But, the deputy considers that, although in his capacity as engineer and secretary here, Mr. Roy has still more or less to do with engineering work in British Columbia, still so far as residence is concerned, he has ceased to be a resident engineer in New Westminster."


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## OWNED MANY NEWSPAPERS.

San Diego, Cal., April 14.—G. H. Scripps died at Mirando, the ranch of his brother, R. W. Scripps, to-day of pernicious anaemia, after an illness of several months. The remains will be cremated at Los Angeles. The interment will be at Rushville, Ills., May 1. George H. Scripps was 66 years of age, born in England, but came to this country when four years old, and was reared on an Illinois farm. He entered on his journalistic career 25 years ago with the Detroit Evening News. He helped to found the Cleveland Press. He soon after became interested in the Cincinnati Post, Kentucky Post, St. Louis Chronicle, Kansas City World and Omaha News, and his journalistic possessions extended to the Pacific Coast.


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## PERSONAL.

William G. Rudd, of Chicago, is among the latest arrivals at the Hotel Driard.

Mrs. Edwin Mayo and son, with Burr W. McIntosh, the late Mr. Mayo's successor in the role of "Pudd'n'head Wilson," are guests at the Driard.

Neville Aveling, one of the English investors in the mines of Klondike, and who now registers as a citizen of Dawson, is at the Driard.

H. Pim, of Hinton & Co., Ltd., Vancouver, is at the Driard.

R. H. Bryce, Winnipeg; J. Hargraft, F. T. Butler, H. T. Tilly and James Goodwin, Toronto, form a party of just-arrived and well known "commercials" at the Hotel Driard.

T. Robertson, of Winnipeg, is at the Driard.

D. K. Mollison, of Toronto, is at the Imperial.

George B. Watson and R. G. Spier, Seattle; L. A. Roslin, Honolulu; and S. W. Chambers, Vernon, are at the Hotel Victoria.

Miss M. Galbraith, of Winnipeg, is spending a few days at the Hotel Victoria.

Mrs. Jenks, of Chicago, a near relative of Mrs. John Robson, of this city, with her niece, Miss Newell, is in Victoria awaiting the sailing of the Empress, by which they will be passengers for Manila.

S. A. Spencer and wife came over, from the Mainland last evening.

Capt Robertson, Vancouver pilot, came down on the Islander yesterday.

John Martin, Telegraph Creek, is at the Dominion.

S. Keith and bride, of Vancouver, are spending their honeymoon at the Dominion.

G. H. Sproat, of Nelson, B.C., is registered at the Dominion. He will leave shortly to join the Victorian, of the C. D. company, as chief engineer.

J. N. Wood, mining engineer, Mexico, is spending a few days at the Dominion previous to his return home.

H. E. Thomson, of the Glenalvin, now at Chemainus, is registered at the Dominion.

Miss Mary Arth, of Tacoma, is spending a few days at the Hotel Dallas.

F. C. Smith and Mrs. R. H. Wallace and child, of Portland, are guests at the Dallas.


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## MARKET QUOTATIONS.

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Chicago, April 17.—The following quotations ruled on the board of trade:

| | Open. | High. | Low. | Close. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Wheat— | | | | |
| May.. .. .. | 66⅝ | 66⅝ | 66⅛ | 66⅛ |
| July .. .... | 68⅛ | 68¼ | 67½ | 67½ |
| Corn— | | | | |
| May .. .... | 39⅝ | 39¾ | 38⅞ | 38⅞ |
| Pork— | | | | |
| May .. .. .. | 12.85 | 13.02½ | 12.85 | 13.00 |
| Liverpool Wheat— | | | | |
| May .. .... | 5s 10½d | ..... | ..... | 5s 10½d |

New York, April 17.—The following quotations ruled on the stock exchange:

| | Open. | High. | Low. | Close |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Amn. Sugar ...... | 107½ | 108¼ | 103⅛ | 105⅛ |
| C. B. & Q. .. .. | 126½ | 127½ | 125¼ | 125¾ |
| C. M. & St. P. ... | 121¼ | 122¼ | 120½ | 121 |
| Manhattan .. .... | 96 | 96⅝ | 93½ | 94¾ |
| People's Gas .. .. | 104½ | 106⅛ | 102¼ | 103½ |
| C. R. I. & P. ..... | 110½ | 111 | 109¼ | 110⅝ |
| Amn. Tob.. ..... | 104½ | 105 | 101¼ | 103¼ |
| Atchison pfd.. .. | 70¾ | 70⅞ | 69⅝ | 70¼ |
| U. P. pfd ...... | 75⅞ | 76 | 75⅛ | 75¾ |
| Tenn. C. & I..... | 82 | 86½ | 81½ | 86½ |
| Atchison com.. .. | 27 | 27¼ | 26⅝ | 26¾ |
| L. & N. ........ | 84¾ | 85⅞ | 84½ | 85 |
| B. R. T. ....... | 73½ | 74¾ | 72⅛ | 73¼ |
| U. P. com.. .... | 58¼ | 58¼ | 56⅝ | 57⅞ |
| A. S. & W. com... | 42 | 45 | 40 | 45 |

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## NOT EASILY FRIGHTENED.

Bravery of the Soldiers of King Menelik of Abyssinia.

It takes more to win the badge of bravery in some countries than in others. The Ethiopian who is deemed worthy to wear in battle the lion's skin that King Menelik of Abyssinia gives to the bravest of his men must be one who can go three days without food, fighting the while, or journeying over deserts and mountains; one, moreover, who cares nothing for pain or death. Mr. Cleveland Moffat refers to a custom that prevails among these men after a battle or after warlike manoeuvres.

It is their habit on such occasions to squat on the ground in a long line and fire their rifles into the air, barrels up, butts between the knees. There are no blank cartridges, but balls that would or kill whomsoever they strike in the descent.

A cannon-shot gives the signal, and forthwith the firing starts far down the line, rolling nearer and nearer till it swells into a roar of musketry about the emperor himself, then dies away at the farther side; and the bullets come down on soldiers or citizens as may be, for this firing is as likely as not to take place in a crowded city.

Would it not be wiser, your majesty," asked a French traveller, aghast at this reckless procedure, "to use blank cartridges?"

"Why so?" asked Menelik.

"It would economize rifle-balls and save life," was the answer.

"I do not mind losing a few balls," replied Menelik, "if it makes my people despise them."

The Italians found what these soldiers think of rifle-balls, when they saw them come bounding on in the charge, pierced through and through with Mauser bullets, and go on fighting. At Amba Alagui, the battle which preceded the final Italian disaster, the Italians found out what it means to fight an army that knows no shoes, but comes at you in your fortified place with toes that can grip and cling.

The Italians were on a hill, rising from a plateau, impregnable, as they supposed, on three sides, and guarded on the fourth by strong artillery. Against these cannon they thought the black men must hurl themselves, and that would be the end of them.

But they reckoned without those black feet, for what the Abyssinians really did was to take the hill from the rear, straight up the precipice, coming stealthily so as to give no alarm; and when enough of them had gained the vantage ground behind, they swept down like a wave upon the Italians, and the day was won.

## CAPT. BLANCHARD WRITES.

Victoria Officer Tells of the Charge of the Canadians at Paardeberg.

In a letter to his father at Windsor, N.S., Capt. Blanchard of this city tells of the charge of the Canadians at the battle of Paardeberg. Here is the letter:

Dear Father: As I wrote you a short time ago from Clip Drift on this river I have not much more to add. As I expected our battalion got into action, but I did not think they would be at it so soon.

They left Clip Drift at 5 p.m., and marched about 20 miles, forming the rear guard. They got to the drift about 6 o'clock in the morning, when they had a cup of coffee and a biscuit. All the troops have been on half rations since we left Belmont and have been without shelter except an occasional bush. Our boys had only been at the drift (ford) about half an hour when the order came for them to fall in to attack the enemy's position. Our men advanced up the river, but were retired shortly and then waded across, the water being up to their armpits. They went across in fours with the Gordons, four of ours and four of the Gordons joining hands. The Boers were entrenched in the river bed, their places being regular pits that would hold three or four, about 4½ feet deep. Our men after crossing formed up in column and moved around to a position somewhat facing the river, extending to ten paces under cover of a slight rise in the ground about 2,000 yards from the Boer trenches, the Cornwalls and a portion of the Gordons being with us. They then advanced to within 600 yards away, when the order to fix boyonets and charge was given. Our position was somewhat at an angle from the river, A Company being on the right and nearest the river and the enemy. It was during the charge that most of our loss occurred. Of the five killed in my company four were from Victoria and one from Vancouver. Of the nine wounded three were from Victoria, two from Vancouver and one from New Westminster, Capt. Arnold and two men from Winnipeg. Capt. Arnold died two days later. Our men got to within 400 yards of the position and laid down there until dark, when they were withdrawn and other troops took their place digging trenches. The men had a hard day, being without food or water, and did not dare move hand or foot hardly, for the least move brought sheets of lead. Three or four men were wounded carrying Capt. Arnold to the rear on the stretcher. The next morning our battalion was sent further up the river and advanced against the position again, but on reaching a rise in the ground they could go no further, as they found the crest of the hill swept by one of their pom-pom guns (1st Maxim Nordenfelt). They came back into bivouac that evening. The rest of the week was spent in outpost and in support of the guns which were shelling the place. I rejoined the battalion Sunday morning. Monday morning A Company was sent across the river to man the trenches on that side covering a fatigue party of the Buffs digging there, the rest of the battalion manning the trenches on this side where they had advanced to. The nearest Boer trenches had been evacuated. We were firing at each other all day, the only people I could see being about 1,900 yards away, and I would occasionally order a volley at them. I saw one man fall while watching the effect of one of my corporal's firing. At 3 a. m. there was a night attack by our brigade (the 19th and 9th Division), our battalion having its right resting on the river, the Gordons and Shropshires supporting on our left. We got to within 200 yards of their position before a shot was fired and then their sentry let go and our men laid flat; the next instant there was the most tremendous fusilade you could possibly imagine and almost pitch dark. It was well for our men that they did not return the fire at first, as their positions would have been discovered and our loss tremendous. At about daylight most of the firing had ceased except for an occasional shot. At 6 o'clock I was ordered to take 20 men and occupy a ruined stone house about 400 yards further up the river. My instructions were to be under cover of the bushes on the river bank and get there without being seen if possible, and only to retire when the firing was too hot to stand. This might have been a most dangerous duty, but it turned out that by the time we got to our place the white flag had been hoisted and Gen. Cronje had surrendered his force unconditionally. I have one or two interesting mementos of the occasion, which I hope to be able to carry back with me, one is a sort of whip used as a fly duster, like our generals sometimes carry. I have a Mauser carbine with a shrapnel wound in the stock, also the number plate of one of the Boer pom-pom guns, which was destroyed by our artillery, and one or two other little things. Lord Roberts made a speech to our men, congratulating them on their gallantry and said they had materially assisted in causing the surrender that morning. I must stop now, as it is getting dark. I am quite well and hearty. Love to all. I remain your affectionate son,

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All persons indebted to the said estate or having assets belonging thereto are requested to pay such indebtedness and deliver such assets forthwith to the executor, C. W. Ringler Thomson, Esquire, at the office of the Victoria Gas Company.

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NOTICE is hereby given that I, the undersigned, Charles Richard Lawson, intend to apply to the Board of Licensing Commissioners for the city of Victoria at the next sittings thereof, for a transfer of the retail liquor license from the premises in respect of which the same is now held by me, the North Pacific Saloon, Victoria, to the premises at the corner of View and Douglas streets, known as the Vernon Block, and from me to Forbes George Vernon.

Dated at Victoria, this 15th day of March, 1900.

CHARLES RICHARD LAWSON.

NOTICE is hereby given that we shall apply to the Board of Licensing Commissioners for the City of Victoria at their meeting to be held on the 13th day of June, 1900, for a transfer of the license now held by us to sell spiritous and fermented liquors upon the premises known as the Belmont Saloon, situate on the corner of Government and Humboldt Streets, Victoria, from ourselves to Peter Wolf, of Victoria.

Dated this 13th day of March, 1900.

THOS. FLEWIN,
CHAS. FLEWIN,
JARVIS LONGHURST,
Executors of W. H. Flewin, Deceased.

Witness:
J. P. Walls.

NOTICE is hereby given that I intend to apply to the Board of Licensing Commissioners at their next sitting as a Licensing Court, for a transfer to Heinrich Siebenbaum of my license for the sale of wines and liquors by retail upon the premises situate on the corner of Yates and Langley streets, Victoria City, known as the Bank Exchange.

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Dated this 17th day of March, 1900.

BEAUMONT BOGGS, Trustee.
GEORGE E. POWELL, Solicitor for the Trustee.


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## THE WAR.

The early advance of Lord Roberrts, witn a force of 75,000 men, is looked for. He has rested at Bloemfontein much longer than we expected. Indeed there is reason to think that he contemplated a forward movement at an earlier date, and in point of fact he did advance his front so far as to get in touch with the enemy at Brandfort. Probably the activity of the enemy in the southwest portion of the Free State caused him to delay, and he may have been waiting until Methuen was in a position to co-operate with him. During the six weeks or so that have elapsed since he was in possession of the railway to the south from Bloemfontein, Roberts has doubtless brought up all the supplies that his large force is likely to require and has strengthened his transportation service. It is hardly likely that he will confine his movements hereafter to the railway. The weather has grown cooler since the cross-country march from Kimberley to Bloemfontein, and the horses will stand their work much better than they have done.

It seems to be taking the force despatched for the relief of Wepener a long time to get there. We should judge from this that the garrison is abundantly able to take care of itself and that Lord Roberts desires to effect another capture of Boer troops and so end anything like future trouble in that part of the Free State.

## A DENIAL.

Mr. Joseph Martin sends us the following despatch:

Mission Junction, April 17, 1900.

"I hereby emphatically deny statement in to-day's Colonist that I ever examined the title to Crow's Nest lands for C.P.R. or anybody else. I have already denied this in interview in Times as you will know. Fight fair. Kindly publish this.

"JOSEPH MARTIN."

We did not observe the interview referred to by Mr. Martin or we should have commented upon it at the time. We must therefore withdraw the statement that Mr. Martin did not deny the assertion. But this does not settle the matter. The statement made in the Colonist was made upon the authority of a gentleman, whose position in Canada is such that we must hesitate to acept even Mr. Martin's emphatic denial as disposing of the question finally. We shall therefore cause further inquiry to be made, and if possible obtain the authority of the gentleman in question or some other equally responsible person to use his name in this connection. The matter must rest here for the present, so far as the Colonist is concerned.

## MR. MARTIN'S CAMPAIGN.

Mr. Martin is very hard at work speech-making. He has laid out quite a programme for himself. He will himself be laid out later. His greatest admirers can hardly claim that he is advancing any reasons why he should be entrusted with the administration of the affairs of this province. It was the agreeable duty of the Colonist to punch a hole in the oratorical windbag with which he started out. His one great argument was placed upon the Crow's Nest Pass grant. It never was very clear what he expected to make out of that. If all he said was true, he made out a good cause for the refusal of the voters to entrust the province in the hands of Messrs. Semlin and Cotton again, but happily this is not the issue upon which the people have to pronounce. Mr. Semlin has probably had all the experience of public life that he wishes or is likely to be permitted to enjoy. If Mr. Cotton ever cherished a hope that the mantle of the premiership would fall upon his shoulders, he has indefinitely postponed the date and is content to unite with anyone and everyone with the laudable object of relieving the province of Martinism. But it was not true. There was not an atom of truth in it. Mr. Martin has therefore dropped this item from his speech-making. The next thing which the Colonist undertook was to convince Mr. Martin that if he proposed to indulge in personalities, as he did during his first two addresses, he would get such a dose as he had not counted upon. He thereupon promptly dropped personalities, and on the occasion of his third address was extremely moderate in his references to anyone except himself. He has still a good deal to say about himself; but we are not without the hope that we will show him what a very barren subject this is.

If Mr. Martin insists upon being talked about, it will be necessary to accommodate him; but he must not complain of the result or ask his sole newspaper organ to allege that he is being abused. He wanted to be told at Chemainus why people were afraid of him. There are several reasons, but we will only give one or two of them. Many people are afraid of Mr. Martin for the same reason that they are afraid of the measles. It is not so much the disease itself as the quarantine. British Columbia will be put in financial quarantine just as long as Mr. Martin is in the premiership. Mr. Martin may not be intrinsically dangerous; but he has a bad reputation politically, and it is quite immaterial whether this reputation is deserved. "Give a dog a bad name, and you may as well hang him at once," says the old proverb, and that is the way it is with Martinism. It has the reputation of being dangerous, and the people of British Columbia cannot afford to take any chances with it.

But the reputation is well deserved. We will not go back to Manitoba for proof, although it is perfectly legitimate to do so. We shall not discuss the circumstances under which he left Manitoba, although that too is proper and necessarily must be taken into account in the current campaign. We will confine ourselves to what has taken place in our own province. Take for example his selection of finance minister. Will any rational man undertake to say that a premier is safe who entrusts the finances of the province, the handling of millions of money, to a man of Mr. Ryder's standing and previous record? If he would be guilty of such an astonishing vagary as this, is there anything too absurd for Mr. Martin to do? Take, as another example, his monstrous blunder about the royalty on the Crow's Nest Pass coal. What reliance can be placed upon a public man who would be guilty of making such an exhibition of himself? Take his performance in connection with the Vancouver Liberal convention and his use of Sir Wilfrid Laurier's letter. Do not these suggest that Mr. Martin has taken leave of his judgment? Take his bargain with Messrs. Kidd and Kellie. Was that the conduct of a man whom the people should be expected to trust? Take the Deadman's Island matter. Did he not show in that his unreliability as a public official? We might refer to his arbitrary interference with the coroners, to his reduction of the efficiency of the provincial police, to the passage of the eight-hour law, to the alien exclusion law, and to many other matters to show his utter unreliability. But we have mentioned sufficient already to prove that if Mr. Martin had no public record before he came to this province, he has done enough since to show that it would be unsafe to trust him with power.

But the people have a right to ask of Mr. Martin that he will show affirmatively his fitness for the position into which he has been thrust against the wish of the people. He has given no proof on this score. In his platform, in his choice of colleagues and in his speeches you will search in vain for anything to beget a feeling of confidence. Indeed his platform shows him to be insincere and demagogic. He knows as well as any man that he cannot carry out his proposed railway policy. He told the people of Saanichton that he had a friend who is ready to put up $10,000,000 in such a scheme. This might have done at Esquimalt when the marines were out in force; but to propound such absolute rubbish to an assemblage of landsmen is a little too absurd. Mr. Martin's friend is like the member of the House of Commons who, on hearing of the National Debt, said: "What's this National Debt, anyway? How much is it? I don't mind paying it myself."

## MR. McINNES' AMENDMENT.

There was not very much discussion in the House of Commons over Mr. McInnes' proposed amendment to the Comox & Cape Scott railway bill prohibiting the employment of Chinese labor. Mr. McInnes said that the reason why this bill was introduced into parliament instead of the local legislature was to avoid such a provision, which he thought the local house would surely have placed in it. This is a mistake. We are well aware of the reason which induced the promoter of this bill to introduce it into parliament, and a desire to employ Chinese labor had nothing whatever to do with it. The reason was that an application has been made to the Dominion government for a subsidy, and to secure the subsidy it was thought desirable to have the company incorporated by parliament.

Dr. Sproule was the first person to speak to the amendment after the mover. He took the ground that the Chinese being permitted to come into the country after paying for the privilege ought not to be prevented from working. Mr. Morrison followed, saying that he favored Chinese exclusion, but thought it should be dealt with in a general measure and not in a piece-meal way. Sir Adolphe Caron took the same view, adding that as other railways had been allowed to employ Chinese it would be unjust discrimination to refuse the same privilege to this company. Mr. Bell, of Prince Edward's Island, thought that the reasonable wishes of the people of British Columbia ought to be met, but he did not think that Chinese ought to be prohibited from engaging in work that is for the general benefit of the country, and hence he opposed the amendment. Mr. Oliver voted for the amendment because he thought parliament ought at once to grapple with the question of Oriental competition. Mr, Holmes, of West Huron, did not believe the people of British Columbia are a unit on Chinese exclusion and he asked where the line was to be drawn, if Chinese were to be kept out of the country. Mr. Davin wanted the amendment adopted, and so did Mr. Puttee, of Winnipeg. Sir Wilfrid Laurier, who closed the debate, said that no reason had been given why the house should reverse the decision of the railway committee on this point. He did not think the proposed amendment ought to pass, because a special act for a special purpose is no place for the announcement of a general policy. He added that the government was now considering the whole subject. The vote was 22 for the amendment and 53 against. Only three British Columbia members voted, two of them, Messrs. McInnes and Prior, for the amendment and Mr. Morrison against it.

Every one who can make it convenient to do so ought to be present at the meeting called for to-night in the city hall to consider the celebration of the Queen's Birthday. The general opinion seems to be that the holiday ought to be celebrated with exceptional enthusiasm this year.

Dust we may be and to dust we will doubtless return; but most people have a decided objection to having the dust come to them in such clouds as it did yesterday. The streets were almost too bad to be traversed because of the dust clouds whirled through them by the fresh wind. And this is only April. The city is utterly unable to grapple with the dust problem, and something should be done.

A Toronto paper hopes to see Mr. Martin permitted to try what it regards as an experiment in social government. British Columbia is a good way from Toronto, and our contemporary evidently thinks it matters very little what happens here. British Columbians have very serious objections to the plan of "trying it on the dog" when they are cast for the role of dog.

The Times says that no sense of modesty or good taste keeps the Colonist from keeping the name of its editor before the public. The Times cannot cite a single instance in which the name of the editor of the Colonist has ever been mentioned editorially in this paper, or a case in which it has been mentioned locally except in connection with a legitimate news item. But this is not a matter of public concern, while it is eminently proper that what Senator Templeman says at Ottawa in his representative capacity ought to be made as public as possible, and we repeat our offer to reprint his speeches. But we would like to know if in the opinion of the Times a newspaper man should take no part in public movements affecting his home, or that if he does, the newspaper with which he is connected should refrain from mentioning his name in such connection.

We have a letter from Alberni dealing with Mr. Huff's candidacy at the forthcoming election. We do not print it, and will state at some little length our reasons for declining to give it publicity, which may possibly serve as a guide to persons who may contemplate writing to the Colonist on political questions. It may be quite true that an editor is not responsible for what appears in the letters of correspondents, but he is responsible for publishing the letters, and it is this that he must have in mind when a letter is sent to him for publication upon a subject concerning which he has no personal knowledge. If the letter referred to were sent to be published over the writer's own signature, we would print it without hesitation; but in that event doubtless some of the expressions used would have been toned down. The letter is personal throughout, and it is not right that anonymous personal attacks should be made upon anyone. An anonymous criticism of a man's public career is quite another matter. When statements of fact are made in a letter dealing with any candidate personally, or as in this case with the requisition to a candidate, we must ask that, as a guarantee of good faith, the writer shall sign his name to it, or else place the facts before us for investigation, when we will investigate them, if they seem to be of sufficient importance, and publish them in due course. The Colonist cannot be used by anyone as a means of striking an adversary below the belt.


What does it profit a woman if she gain the whole world of knowledge and lose her own health? Young women students and school teachers, eager, ambitious, and full of energy, very often neglect their health in the struggle to gain education. They eat insufficient food, and at irregular hours, they allow irregularity of the womanly functions to be established, and the result is that they become chronic invalids with all their education practically worthless. There is a plain road back to health for such as these, marked by the feet of thousands. It is the use of Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery for diseases of the stomach and digestive and nutritive organs, and Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription for diseases of the delicate organs of womanhood. A cure so certainly follows the use of these remedies that out of hundreds of thousands who have tried the treatment, ninety-eight in every hundred have been perfectly and permanently cured. Constipation, with its calamitous consequences, which is a common ailment of students, can be entirely cured by the use of Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets.

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Once in a while one picks up an original bit of literary work, unheralded and unendorsed, on the counters of the local bookstores. Even more infrequently such prizes are of local origin, and call for more than passing commendation. "Cariboo Rhymes of a Cariboo Rhymer" is an example. No one seems to know who the Cariboo Rhymer is, but his published jingles bear the imprint of the News-Advertiser, and in their entirety they betray a quaint philosopher, of education gained in classic schools, but perfected and finished in the everyday experiences of a mining camp. Some of the "poems" are not exactly suited to the drawing room; they are in the extreme of the realistic style, and on this foundation appeal directly to every old miner, who will be quick to realize their photographic worth. Others there are in the collection that remind the reader of sympathetic Eugene Field rather than of Bret Harte. Of these latter the following may be given as a fair example:

TO THE LITTLE ONE.

Come, come little one, come!
Your cheeks are roses to-day,
And your eyes as bright
As the pretty sunlight
That drives the bad fairies away.

Look, look, little one look!
As bright be the life that you live.
Though you can't read a book,
You can read a kind look
That none but a mother can give.

Sing, sing, little one, sing!
For angels and Summer birds sing.
And the wild birds' sweet note
Is the music God wrote,
The sweet, welcome music of Spring.

Grow, grow, little one, grow!
And light be life's troubles and few,
Like the tiny alarms
That are soothed in her arms,
Those arms that are Heaven to you.

Go, go, through weal and woe!
May honor and truth be your guide;
May her day dreams of the
What her sweet should be,
Be fulfilled unto thee,
Oh! child of a mother's fond pride.

The new poet of the mines is equally finished and artistically admirable in his patriotic poems—the "The Great Queen," "Louise and Lorne," "Virginia," and "Canada," the following introductory verse of the last production illustrating the versatility of his style:

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| Wed. April 18. | | Thursday, April 19. | |
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| Time. | Height above zero | Time. | Height above zero |
| 3:30 a.m. | 8.1 feet. | 3:50 a.m. | 8.2 feet |
| 10:50 a.m. | 1.8 feet | 11:40 a.m. | 1.8 feet. |
| 6:30 p.m | 7.4 feet. | 7:20 p.m. | 7.4 feet. |
| 11:30 p.m. | 7.2 feet. | | |


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Victoria City Band, initial appearance April 25, A. O. U. W. hall. *


**His Trouble Flies.**

He coughed in the morning,
He coughed at night,
He coughed on going to bed;
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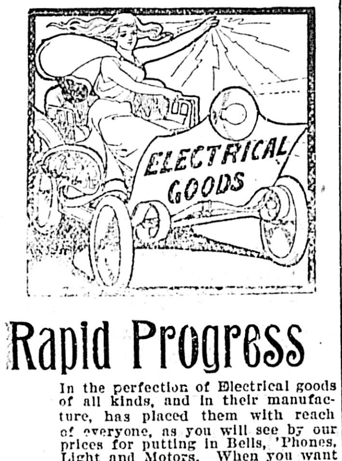


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Another Flag.—Mr. J. H. Turner has presented a flag to the city schools, so that about all are now supplied. The poll at the South Park school was erected yesterday.

Japanese Summoned.—The keepers of two Japanese lodgings houses on Store street have been summoned to appear in court to answer to the charge of overcrowding their premises.

Trades Council.—The legislative committee of the Trades and Labor Council met last evening and drafted a labor platform, which will be submitted to a meeting of the council this evening for ratification.

Building in Vancouver.—John Lovell, of Victoria, when in Vancouver the other day let a contract to the union men for the building of a three-story brick building on Carrall street, next to the Boulder saloon. Excavation for the basement is now under way.

Borne to the Grave.—The funeral of the late Mrs. Choate took place yesterday afternoon from the family residence Cameron street, Rev. E. G. Miller officiating. The pallbearers were: Messrs. J. H. McGregor, J. H. King, John Ward and William Agnew.

More Than Up To Date.—Those who received letters by yesterday morning's delivery were somewhat surprised to find them post marked "April 19." It is not often that the dating stamp gets mixed, but after this surely no one can say that Victoria is behind the times.

Premises Required.—The only immigration shed on the Dallas road is being used for the housing of some of the many Japanese arriving here. William Keller and his wife, who have been living in the shed, yesterday complained that the Japs were too dirty to live with, but as they have been there on sufferance they will have to make way for the immigrants.

The Dust Nuisance.—Mutterings, "not loud, but deep," were heard on all sides yesterday at the inability of the civic authorities to cope with the dust nuisance. The discomfort was felt most in the James Bay district. There all the streets during the prevalence of the high wind were filled with great clouds of dust. At one time the operation of the street car service was interfered with, a car going to the outer wharf requiring to stop until the dust was removed from the rails.

The Police Court.—In the police court before Magistrate Hall yesterday three more unlucky bicyclists paid $3 each for riding on the sidewalks. The police have received many complaints regarding the misdemeanors of the cyclists, and are determined if possible to put a stop to the evil. Only the other day a colored man was run down on the sidewalk and quite seriously injured. Another batch of summonses was issued yesterday. The case of Karl Zoelle, charged with selling liquor on Sunday, was remanded until this morning, when a case of cruelty to animals will also be dealt with.

New Band.—The new uniforms of the Victoria City Band are nearly completed and reflect credit on Burrows & Redman, the makers. The band will make their initial appearance next Wednesday evening at the A. O. U. W. hall, under the baton of Emil Pferdner. It goes without saying that Victoria's musical rating will be upheld by this organization, which is composed of the following citizens: Emil Pferdner, director; S. A. Bantly, N. Hendricks, A. Greenwood, J. Sorge, T. F. Gold, J. Rausch, F. Keown, H. King, S. Leigh, J. McSweeney, George Keown, D. Clarke, J. Ball, F. Beaven, F. Billingsley, H. Sonnicton, F. E. Newberger and G. Okell.

Off For South Africa.—The word comes from Vancouver, in a telegram to Dr. Wilson of the Hotel Driard, that Mr. A. L. N. Heygate—who has been day clerk at that hotel for some time past—has been successful in the plan near to his heart, and has been accepted for service in the supplementary fifty for Strathcona's Horse. It will be remembered that when volunteers were first called for from the West, Mr. Seymour Hastings O'Dell, who had been acting as clerk of the Driard, promptly offered himself for service at the front. He was succeeded by Mr. Heygate, and when Strathcona's Horse was being recruited he too heard his country's call. Greatly to his disappointment, he was not accepted, the complement of men being already obtained. The new chance came with the making up of the extra fifty, and the Driard's second representative to the battlefield goes forward to-day.

Hospital Dances.—Members and friends of the Woman's Auxiliary Society, Royal Jubilee Hospital, are reminded that the work of preparing the Assembly Rooms, Fort street, for the dances to be given on Thursday and Friday evenings, in aid of the working funds of this society, is in progress. Contributions of flowers, plants, and refreshments, are requested; and also, where it is possible, of personal help. The tickets are selling well and both dances promise to be a success. That the hall shall be beautiful, and the refreshments well supplied, remains with the members of the Woman's Auxiliary. It has been impossible—and is indeed unnecessary—to make an individual appeal to each member, but the committee feel sure that this reminder will be amply sufficient to produce the generous and kindly support necessary to make the entertainment enjoyable and profitable to the cause in hand. Flowers and plants may be sent in any time on Wednesday. Refreshments after noon on Thursday. Supplementary refreshments will be most acceptable for the children's dance on Friday evening.

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## VICTORIAN'S HEROISM.

Saved an Alaskan Trapper by Endangering His Own Life.

That all of Victoria's heroes are not found among those who are fighting for the flag on the battle fields of South Africa is borne testimony to in a letter which the Colonist has received from Harry Johnson, an American prospector now making his home at Rampart City on the Yukon. This letter is evidence also of a spirit of gratitude too infrequently shown in this hurrying age.

"I wish," writes Mr. Johnson, "to thank through your paper Mr. Alexander J. Lindsay, of Victoria, for saving my life from frost and exposure in Alaska. I will tell you the plain particulars, and you can fix it up to suit yourself, only I do not know where to find Lindsay to thank him personally, and in fact only found out his name and residence from the N. A. T. company here. I therefore take this privilege of extending my thanks through your paper, knowing that even if he does not see it, some of his friends or relatives may, and thus I shall be able to show him that I am a truly grateful man.

"I started out on a trapping trip up the Yukon river and was overtaken by sudden sickness. A siwash who was hunting found me. I asked him if he would get me help and he said he had seen some white men on the river that morning, and he would go to them. After getting me a little wood he started, and shortly afterwards I fainted. I was awakened by someone feeling my heart, and saw that it was a white man. He stayed with me all that night, and the next day and night, for it was then too cold to travel. The following day he carried me on a sleigh about fifty miles to roadhouse. I was too sick to know much, but I know that he had nothing to eat for two days, and the people at the to a roadhouse. I was too sick to know hands were terribly frozen, as he had used his own coats and mits to keep me warm.

"Now, my dear sir, if you will kindly fix this up to suit yourself, you will make one grateful man and family happy, and I shall be able to partially thank Mr. Lindsay for his heroism, and to congratulate Victoria upon having having so noble a son. I should certainly have died alone in the frozen wilderness had it not been for him."

The Atmospheric Ocean.—Notwithstanding the prejudice many Victorians have about attending lectures, the sale of tickets for the one to be given in St. Andrew's church lecture hall this evening upon "Our Atmospheric Ocean" has been very successful. Doubtless the worthy cause, being in aid of the Red Cross Society, and the unique character of the subject which is to be illustrated have attracted many.

Death's Hand.—The death occurred at St. Mary's hospital, New Westminster on Monday, of Thomas John Partridge, eldest son of T. J. Partridge, late water collector for the city. The deceased was a native of Norfolk, England, aged 49 years, and came to the province in the early sixties with his parents. The remains were brought over from the Mainland yesterday and the funeral will take place at 2:30 this afternoon from the family residence, 113 Quadra street and at 2:45 at St. John's church.

Mansion House Fund.—At an entertainment given in Huff's hall, Alberni, on the 21st March last, and a supper supplied by the ladies of the district, a collection was taken up amounting to $88.61. Since then several small subscriptions have been received, bringing the total up to $97.61. After paying sundry expenses a net balance of $94.11 has been forwarded to the Lord Mayor of London on behalf of the fund. In a notice of the entertainment in the Colonist of 26th March last it was inadvertently omitted to be stated that Mr. Huff very generously gave his hall free for the entertainment, besides contributing of his talents, which is always appreciated by an Alberni audience.

Two Little Fires.—Early yesterday morning an overheated ash-box in rear of the Western Union Telegraph office robbed the firemen of their full measure of sleep and gave them exercise just at the time when they should have been catching their beauty winks. In the afternoon an alarm came in for a roof fire at one of George Vienna's cabins near Turret Rock, and immediately adjoining Robertson's Iron Works. The occupant of the shack had lost no time in getting his belongings out, but had neglected to give an alarm, and with the high wind then blowing the adjoining premises would have had little chance had it not been for the commendable promptitude of the brigade.

Militia Garrison.—Forty-two of the sixty men, who were to be selected from the militia to assist in garrisoning Esquimalt are now housed at the Marine Hospital, the patients having been removed to a private house. The building is being overhauled and renovated and the officers expect to have the men established in a few days. Col. McKay and Lieutenant Ackroyd, the only officers, will take up their quarters in the rooms formerly occupied by the surgeon. The men yesterday received their regulation uniforms. The non-commissioned officers so far appointed are Sert. Hollyer of Victoria, and Corpl. McPhee of Vancouver.

Reception to Grand Master.—The joint committee from the different I. O. O. F. lodges in the city met last evening to receive the reports of the subcommittees and perfect arrangements for the reception of the Grand Master on Monday evening next. Victoria Lodge will have a short session and adjourn by 8:30 o'clock, after which the lodge room will be thrown open to Odd Fellows and their families, including the Sisters of Rebekah. There will be short addresses by Grand Master Welsh and others, songs, recitations, etc., followed by refreshments. A good orchestra will also be in attendance. On Tuesday evening the Sisters of Rebekah will give an "at home," at which the Grand Master has signified his intention of being present. This evening Columbia Lodge will confer the first degree and select the team which will present the third degree for the entertainment of the Grand Lodge next June.


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Donation Acknowledged.—Mr. J. M. Courtney, treasurer of the Canadian Patriotic Fund Association in a letter to Lt.-Col. Gregory acknowledges the receipt of $84.35 being the proceeds of a concert by the Fifth Regiment band.

Officers Elected.—The Epworth League of the Metropolitan Methodist church has elected officers as follows: President, H. J. Knott; first vice-president, M. Stainland; second vice-president, Mrs. Yeo; third vice-president, E. Whittington; fourth vice-president, Miss Gardiner; secretary, Miss E. E. Lewis; treasurer, Miss Bertha Hall.

Easter Wedding.—At St. Paul's church, Esquimalt, on Monday morning at 11 o'clock was celebrated the wedding of Mr. C. B. Innes, second son of Mr. J. H. Innes, formerley naval storekeeper at Esquimalt, and now of Upper Norwood, Lofidon, England, to Miss Roberta Elizabeth, second daughter of Lt.-Col. R. Wolfenden of this city. The ceremony was performed by the rector, Rev. C. Ensor Sharp, assisted by Venerable Archdeacon Scriven, and was witnessed by the immediate relatives and friends of the contracting parties. The bridegroom was attended by his brother A. V. W. Innes and the bride by her sister Miss Kate C. Wolfenden. After the ceremony, the wedding party were driven to the residence of the bride's brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Mathews, where they received the congratulations of their friends. The honeymoon is being spent along the line of the E. & N. railway. Upon their return Mr. and Mrs. Innes will take up their residence in a pretty bungalow on Robert street, Victoria West.

Work Appreciated.—The mission hall, situated on Johnson street, the latest enterprise of that worthy organization the W. C. T. U. though opened but a short time, is already proving the need which has existed for such a work. The reading room, a large, well-lighted, comfortable place is being well patronized, numbers of men taking advantage of a quiet place in which to spend their spare time. The gospel meeting which is held at 8:30 o'clock Sunday evening is also being well attended, and arrangements have now been made for a weekly concert to be given on Saturday night, which will be conducted by the young people's societies of the various churches, in addition to which so far as possible, music will also be furnished other evenings of the week, thus making the rooms attractive and pleasant for the men who frequent them. Everything in connection with the enterprise is free of charge, except the lunch, 5c. and 10c. being the charges for coffee and sandwiches. Friends who would like to assist the good work by contributing late periodicals and papers are invited to do so. All of which will be gratefully received at the rooms, 17 Johnson street, opposite Store street.


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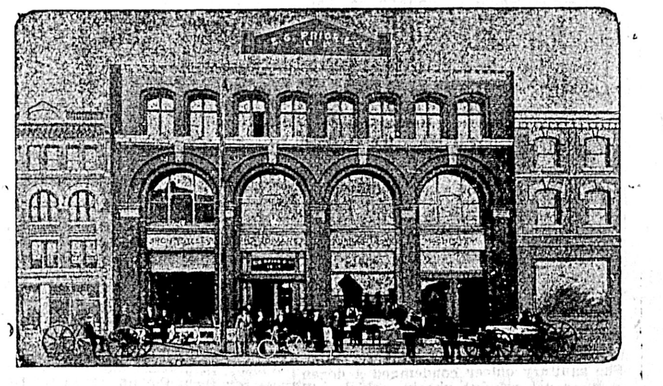

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Annual Meeting.—The annual meeting of the Victoria Yacht Club will be held at the club house on Friday evening for the election of officers.

Atlin Souvenirs.—Thanks to the enterprise of Mrs. Mary E. Hitchcock, there are now on sale in the local book stores very pretty souvenir postal-cards of Atlin. The scenery of that new camp is so magnificent that it cannot be too frequently presented.

A director of the Standard Oil Company has recently published in The Independent an article declaring trusts to be good for the workingman. To the May Century, Andrew Carnegie of the Carnegie Company, which rivals the Standard Oil for first place among the world's great corporations, will contribute an essay taking the same ground. In this article, which bears the title "Popular Illusions about Trusts," the great steel manufacturer argues that the evils of trusts are generally self-corrective; that no trust can live long unless it secures a virtual monopoly of the commodity it deals in; and that "the only people who have reason to fear trusts are those who trust them." In the same magazine "The Real Danger of Trusts"—their menace to the independence of the individual and the state—will be pointed out in a vigorous editorial.

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# At Work Till Near Midnight

## Pressure of Business Keeps The Aldermen to a Late Hour Last Evening.

## No Funds for Paving—Harris to Sue for Breach of Contract.

The hands of the clock in the council chamber at the city hall pointed to ten minutes of the midnight hour when the Mayor and aldermen rose from the nearly four hours' labor at yesterday evening's meeting of the city council. The paving of Yates and Broad streets, Japanese immigration, a curfew law, remuneration for the work done by D. R. Harris in connection with his contract to make the harbor borings, the destruction of condemned wooden shacks, a protest from the master plumbers regarding faulty plumbing, the macadamizing of certain streets, tenders for the pumping plant—these and a host of minor matters engaged attention and were responsible for the long-drawn-out character of the meeting. A letter from Manager Goward of the tramway company, asking when the work of paving Yates street would be undertaken, had the effect of eliciting information that at present no funds were available for the purpose. The great influx of Japanese has now moved the civic authorities to move in the matter of collecting the revenue tax of $3 from the immigrants, but as most of them have passports to the United States, the city coffers are not likely to be swelled to the bursting point. Mrs. Maria Grant asked for the introduction of a curfew law, and the matter being considered most important, it was placed in the hands of a special committee. D. R. Harris, through his solicitor, S. Perry Mills, gave notice that he would take action against the city to recover a sum exceeding $1,200 to remunerate him for the expense he was put to in connection with the proposal to proceed with the harbor borings. The city solicitors gave an opinion to the effect that Mr. Harris had not got a legitimate claim. The sanitary officer condemned a dozen or more old wooden shacks, which will be at once destroyed should the owners not satisfactorily explain. Tenders for the pumping plant were again laid over.

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There were present His Worship Mayor Hayward in the chair and a full board.

The first communication was one from Albert T. Goward, local manager of the B. C. Electric Railway & Lighting Company, which read as follows:

Gentlemen:—Re block paving. I beg respectfully to draw your attention to a letter which I received from your honorable body, dated February 6th, and which reads as follows:

A. T. Goward, Esq., Local Manager B. C. Electric Ry. Co., Ld.

Sir: I have the honor to acquaint you for the information of your company, that it is the intention of the corporation to commence the work of paving Yates street between Government and Broad streets, at an early date, and to request that your company will be good enough to take such action in regard to your track line on said street as may facilitate the work about to be undertaken.

I have the honor to be your obedient servant,

(Sgd.) W. J. DOWLER, C. M. C.

My company has accordingly made such arrangements, inasmuch as the special work for the corner of Government and Yates streets and the special rails required where streets are block paved, in this case costing several thousand dollars, have been ordered, and are now under construction. As the expenditure has been undertaken entirely at the request of the city council, and as this special material is useless except for that part of our track for which it is specially designed, I trust there will be no delay in carrying out the original intention of block paving Yates street from Government to Douglas streets.

I have the honor to be your obedient servant,

ALBERT T. GOWARD, Local Manager.

Ald. Beckwith moved that the writer be informed that the council would take up the matter of street paving at as early a date as possible, but had no funds at present. He did not think the Tramway company was being put to any inconvenience. He wanted to refer to a number of articles which appeared in the papers recently on street work. When the council decided to do the street paving it was with the understanding that the work would be done when the council had obtained special powers from the legislature in order to enforce the local improvement principle. He quoted from an article in the Colonist of April 4th. He thought it somewhat unfair, as the council had not the money to do the work mentioned. The Times also had an article on April 4th, to which he took exception. The article advised the vigorous prosecution of street work. He thought it unfair to the council that matters should be totally misrepresented. If there was any chance of getting the local improvement amendment the street paving might go on, but as it was now the only question was to raise more money. Ald. Yates seconded the motion.

Ald. Williams thought it would be well to have the street paving taken up as soon as possible. It would be a good advertisement if the work was going on while the visitors were in the city.

Ald. Brydon explained that it was never intended to do the work of street paving out of general revenue.

The Mayor thought the tramway company had hardly been treated fairly. They had been notified that the work would be done and at that time the money was on hand.

Ald. Beckwith did not think the Mayor was putting the case fairly. It was not intended that the money for paving should be taken out of general revenue.

Ald. Yates corroborated this view.

Ald. Brydon thought there was no doubt about the work being gone on with at an early date.

The Mayor did not want the Tramway company misled in the matter. They should be told exactly how matters stood.

The Mayor took exception to the contention of Ald. Beckwith that the fund available for street work could not be put to the purpose of paving the streets.

Ald. Beckwith stoutly maintained his position. It was never understood that that money for street work could be devoted to the work of paving the streets.

Ald. Stewart agreed with Ald. Beckwith. He had always understood that the money for paving should have to be borrowed by special powers, not taken from the general revenue.

The Mayor contended that it was quite true that the city could divert money intended for street work to the purpose of paving.

Ald. Beckwith again rose and protested that the Mayor was misrepresenting the situation, as the fund for ordinary street work could not be used for paving purposes.

Ald. Brydon explained that a way out of it was the imposing of an additional mill and doing the work at once. This was what the citizens wanted and what the council would recommend.

Ald. Cameron understood that it was never intended to do the block paving except from special revenue. He explained that this was what had occurred in the past.

Ald. Beckwith, rising again, was reminded by the Mayor that he already had spoken three or four times. Allowed to explain, however, he contended that not one dollar for street purposes was available for paving.

Ald. Yates wanted to know who had informed the Tramway company that the council would go ahead with the work of paving Yates street? It was either the mayor or the council; and he did not think it was the latter.

The Mayor warmly resented this reflection upon himself; and Ald. Yates explained that he had no intention of insinuating that the Mayor had acted improperly.

A. T. Goward, secretary of the Tramway Company, forwarded also the following communication:

Gentlemen: Re pumping station, North Dairy Farm. In continuance of our letter of the 9th inst., we beg to say we will supply electric current at 500 volts to run the proposed pump at North Dairy Farm for the sum of four cents (4c.) per K.W. Current to be paid for as supplied and registered in our sub-station on Store street.

Trusting this will prove satisfactory to the council.

I have the honor to be, gentlemen, your obedient servant,

ALBERT T. GOWARD, Local Manager.

Received and laid upon the table.

Frank H. Eaton, secretary of the school board, laid before the council school statistics showing the decline in attendance as evidenced in a special report. Received and filed.

Mr. H. D. Helmcken, Q. C., drew attention to the condition of the old cemetery, asking that steps be taken to put it in good order. While there was a question of title, the few repairs necessary could easily be effected. Referred to cemetery committee.

The Mayor at this point explained that in view of the tremendous influx of Japanese, he had instructed tax collector Winsby to proceed and collect the revenue tax from the immigrants. But the tax collector reported that the majority of the men had passports to the United States, and only twenty were liable to the tax. He (the Mayor) had instructed the tax collector to collect all he could.

Ald. Kinsman did not think the fact that they had passports should save them from paying the tax.

Thomas Hooper, architect, asked that the city should take over from the contractors, the material intended for the laying of permanent sidewalks in front of the Earle and Leiser buildings on Yates street, if the city intends doing the work.

Ald. Cooley moved that the contractors be allowed to proceed with the work. Ald. Williams seconded the motion. The contractors should not be interfered with.

Ald. Brydon moved in amendment that the former resolution of the council be adhered to—that is, to do the work as city work. It would be very inconvenient to have the work done in patches.

Ald. Kinsman did not think it made much difference who did the work.

Ald. Stewart protested that much time was being lost by useless wrangles.

Ald. Beckwith seconded Ald. Brydon's amendment, which carried.

Architect Hooper also wrote asking for a refund for the sidewalk in front of the Victoria hotel. Referred to the city engineer.

William Prout applied for the position of assistant tax collector in view of the tremendous influx of Japanese.

Ald. Williams thought it might be well to have a special collector.

The Mayor explained that Mr. Winsby had said he had no difficulty, with the assistance of a special constable.

Ald. Kinsman said the matter was a most important one. If the revenue was all collected they would have enough money to pave the streets. (Laughter.)

Ald. Cameron moved that the matter be left in the hands of the Mayor, which carried.

William Knox called attention to the unsanitary condition of the alley back of the Kirk block, Douglas street. Referred to the sanitary officer.

John Sherbourne complained of a drain on Oscar street. Referred to sanitary officer with power to act.

Mrs. Maria Grant, on behalf of the W. C. T. U., drew the attention of the board to the necessity of adopting a curfew by-law in the following communication:

Gentlemen: On behalf of the Women's Christian Temperance Union I beg to draw your attention to the need in our city of a Curfew by-law.

The education to which child life is subjected by parents allowing their children of tender years to roam the streets at night is becoming alarming, and we fear it will be only a few years until many who might otherwise grow up to become useful citizens will be debased and corrupted, with the possibility of some of them becoming criminals.

We have made enquiries of other cities and find that a by-law enforced which holds the parent responsible for his child has been a success in many of the large cities both of the Eastern part of our Dominion and of the United States.

While we realize it might be a little difficult to enforce the law at the outset, both parents and children will soon learn that our chief of police is equal to the difficulty and will govern themselves accordingly.

We pray that your honorable body may consider this question at an early date and protect the children of our city by the passage of a Curfew by-law.

Respectfully yours,

MARIA GRANT, President Central W.C.T.U.

Ald. Williams moved that it be referred to the city solicitor, the mayor and a special committee for report. Ald. Hall seconded this. It was a disgrace, he said, to see children on the streets late at night. Carried.

B. Williams & Co. asked for the immediate construction of the permanent sidewalks on Yates street.

Ald. Beckwith moved that the writer be informed that the work would be commenced at the earliest possible date. Carried.

S. P. Mills, for D. R. Harris, enclosed account of the latter against the city in connection with the contract for borings which were ordered in connection with the Sorby harbor scheme, amounting to $1,274.24.

Ald. Kinsman was puzzled over the communication. Had S. Perry Mills or Mr. Harris done the work?

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The city solicitors, referring to Mr. Mills' communication, in a letter to the council gave it as their opinion that as no contract was entered into with the city, the latter was not liable, but as Mr. Harris had been put to some expense, the city would no doubt settle with him on equitable terms.

Ald. Kinsman moved that the letters be received and filed, which motion Ald. Stewart seconded.

The Mayor explained that he had endeavored to arrange a settlement with Mr. Harris for $250, but without success.

Ald. Beckwith thought the council was committed to the carrying out of the contract and Mr. Harris should be reimbursed for the expense he had gone to.

Ald. Yates did not think the city had any moral right to put any man to an expense such as was the case as regards Mr. Harris, and then tell him that he would not be paid. He moved that Mr. Harris be asked for a detailed statement showing the amount of the indebtedness he had incurred. Ald. Cooley seconded the motion.

Ald. Stewart thought it was a very unbusiness-like action on the part of Mr. Harris to proceed with his preparations before the council had finally decided to authorize the harbor borings. He did not, however, wish to see Mr. Harris out of pocket one cent.

Ald. Kinsman said Mr. Harris had never struck one blow in consequence of any action of his (Ald. Kinsman's). Mr. Harris had acted most stupidly in going on with the work before it was authorized, and should take the consequences.

Ald. Beckwith supported Ald. Yates' amendment. The council must act as an honorable body. Mr. Harris no doubt acted in a bona fide manner.

Ald. Brydon felt that it was the duty of the council not to contest the claim of Mr. Harris, who had signed the contract with the city and had never been notified that the work would not be proceeded with.

Ald. Cameron thought the argument had gone outside of the question. The city solicitor had offered pretty good advice and it should be accepted. He was in favor of Ald. Kinsman's motion.

Ald. Yates amendment carried.

The special committee to whom was referred the matter of inquiring into the advantages of electricity or steam at the new pumping station reported as follows:

Gentlemen: In accordance with instructions, we, the undersigned, have carefully considered the various proposals for pumping plant, and beg to submit the following report in reference to same:

Re proposal to operate pump by means of electrical energy generated at the city lighting station, and transmitted by wire to the proposed pumping station in the vicinity of North Dairy Farm: We find the main difficulty in this proposal is the matter of speed regulations. It is essential that the speed of pump be regulated according to the varying demands made upon it from time to time (the interval between the changes being of course impossible to estimate), and as the most efficient type of electrical plant for power transmission to a distance (via alternating current system) does not lend itself readily to speed changes the less efficient direct current system would have to be adopted. In this case the limited pressure at which direct current plant can be operated, involves a heavy loss of power in the transmission, and the cost of copper conductors is excessive, hence the high first cost of this type of plant. While it is true that power can be generated at the city station at considerably less cost than at the proposed pumping station, using pumps as specified, this again would be fully offset by the following loss in the transmission and double conversion of the energy, viz., loss in generator, motor and line (based on working pressure of 500 volts), 30 per cent. Added to above would be interest on increases, first cost, also cost of extra services required to operate. In view of the above, we respectfully deem it inadvisable to adopt the proposal.

Re proposal of B. C. Electric Ry Co. to supply power to operate pumps: Having no definite offer for supply of energy under consideration we are of the opinion that cost would prove excessive.

After due consideration of the various proposals, we are of the opinion that pumping by steam power will best suit the requirements, but desire, however, to state that the duplex type of pumps are not particularly efficient, but as pumps will, for a greater portion of the time, be operating on a light load, the matter of efficiency becomes of less importance. By installing a plant of this type, it should enable the proposal to be carried out in due time, and within the limits of the appropriation covering same, and said pump will, after the original plan of duplicate plant is carried out, prove very servicable for reserve purposes.

Re strength of steel main to resist increased pressure: The main according to specifications is constructed of No. 8 B. W. gauge steel, double rivetted joints, and should carry 120 lbs. pressure with perfect safety, and as pressure from pump will not exceed 100 lbs. at any point on steel main, we are therefore of the opinion that main is of ample strength.

We have the honor to be, gentlemen, your obedient servants,

C. H. TOPP, City Engineer.
M. HUTCHISON, City Electrician.

Received and adopted.

The city engineer reported advising in the matter of the Johnson street ravine that a covered drain be laid from Victoria hotel to Store street. This was referred to the city engineer and city solicitor and Aldermen Brydon, Cooley and Stewart. The engineer also recommended the commencement of the work of laying permanent sidewalks at the earliest possible moment. Adopted.

The sanitary officer reported having condemned and recommended for destruction about fifteen frame shacks on Fisguard and other streets in Chinatown. Received and adopted, the owners to appear before the council and show cause why the buildings should not be destroyed.

The master plumbers of the city forwarded the following petition:

To His Worship the Mayor and Board of Aldermen.

Gentlemen: We, the undersigned, having had our attention called to certain plumbing work which has been done lately in a brick building on the corner of Fisgard and Store streets, beg to call your attention to a few of the defects that exist:

1st. In one of the houses there is a "Philadelphia Hopper," a closet which has been condemned for some time.

2nd. In one house a sink is fitted up with a tin pipe for a waste, without trap (on first floor).

3rd. In one house a sink with a rubber hose (1-inch) for a waste pipe without trap (on first floor).

4th. In two houses two sinks are connected with closet pipes without vents, and joints made with copper bit.

5th. Outside one urinal without vent on trap discharging into sewer direct without supply to same.

6th. Two baths connected into one pipe without vents.

7th. Three closets on ground floors without back vents, which are necessary owing to there being closets above emptying into same soil pipe.

8th. Two sets of wash tubs without wastes.

9th. One sink connected to soil pipe with 1¼ inch waste and not vented, same emptying into closet pipe, which is the vent from closet to sink on ground floor.

In calling your attention to same we do so as a matter of importance to the general public as property owners outside of the Chinese quarter are expected to connect with the sewerage system and to comply with the city by-laws. Therefore in fairness to them we, as master plumbers, claim such work should be vigorously dealt with, and the undersigned would suggest an investigation of the above quarter by the plumbing inspector, and, if necessary, one or more of the undersigned, so as to make a complete inspection, and point out all defects, as it is a well known fact work that has been passed, say twelve months ago, is being changed almost every day with all kinds of Oriental plumbing, in direct violation to the city by-laws, which we consider should be condemned at once for the benefit of the public health and in fairness to other property owners.

Respectfully,
A. BARKER,
BRADEN BROS.,
JOHN COLBERT,
A. SHERET,
J. H. WARNER & CO.,
E. F. GEIGER,
C. M. COOKSON,
GEO. WATSON.

Referred to the plumbing inspector with power to act.

Ald. Beckwith wanted the plumbing inspector instructed to report to what extent "Oriental plumbing" was carried on in Chinatown. (Laughter.)

The firewardens recommended the calling of tenders for the building of the Victoria West fire hall. Adopted.

The finance committee recommended the paying of accounts for the month amounting to $13,354.55. Adopted.

Ald. Yates moved that the contract for curbing—2,000 feet and six corners—be awarded to Mr. J. W. Fleming. Mr. Fleming was the only Victorian tenderer and his contract for the straight curb was the lowest.

Ald. Cameron did not think 2000 feet of curbing was required. The contract had first been awarded to Bradbury, now to Fleming. The matter looked very peculiar. Had the block paving been gone on with the 2,000 feet would be required.

Ald. Yates was quite willing to reduce the amount mentioned in his motion to 1,000 feet. This was done and the motion carried.

Ald. Brydon's motion asking that the report of the streets and bridges' committee making appropriations be reconsidered next came up. The mover explained that there were two or three items which might be altered with advantage. He proposed using a portion of the sums which might be saved for macadamizing Blanchard street. The vote of $350 for macadamizing Chatham street was, he thought, most ill-advised. It was not in bad condition. He proposed that this vote be rescinded and the money expended on Government street. The vote of $380 for a vitrified pipe drain on Fifth street could be very well cut down to $180 by using a box drain.

Ald. Hall made a strong plea that the vote for the macadamizing of Chatham street should stand. He could not conceive why Ald. Brydon had such a desire to rescind the vote.

Ald. Beckwith thought $150 for a drain and some gravelling would make a pretty good job on Chatham street.

Ald. Kinsman was sure Chatham street required some attention.

Ald. Yates moved to reduce the amount of the vote to $200. This was at Ald. Brydon's suggestion carried, Government street north of Chatham to receive some attention. A box drain will be laid also on Stanley avenue.

The Mayor's motion that tenders be received for the removal of the remains of the old Point Ellice Bridge carried.

Ald. Hall's motion that tenders be invited for the removal of the band stand at the park to a point nearer the lake next came up and carried.

Tenders for boilers for the new pumping station were then opened, as follows: Nicholles & Renouf, 2 boilers, 1 steam pump, $10,100; J. H. Warner & Co., steam boiler and steam pumps (Worthington), $10,061.70; Gardener pump, $10,261.70; Northy pump, $10,611.70; guaranteed to pump two million gallons per day. Referred to special committee.

Tenders for fire hose were received from A. G. McKenny, representing the Gutta Percha & Rubber Co., Toronto. This firm quoted Eureka brand, $1.10; Paragon, 90c.; Victor, 90c.; New Peerless, 85c.; Surpossi, 80c.; Peerless, 80c. C. J. V. Spratt also tendered, quoting $1.15 per foot. Referred to the fire wardens, purchasing agent and Chief Deasy for report.

The Victoria City Band offered to give fourteen concerts at the park during the summer months at $40 per concert. Laid on the table.

The council adjourned at 11:50 p.m.

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## DANGEROUS AND INGLORIOUS.

### Patrol Duty Is a Soldier's Least Welcome Task.

Of the word "patrol," if you look it up in the dictionary, you will find a simple explanation; but the average English at home has no idea of its real meaning as exhibited in warfare—especially war against an enemy like the Boer, says the London Mail.

It requires more courage, more real pluck to patrol the kopjes round about our camp than to make a charge in company with thousands of your fellows in the teeth of a deadly fire. In the latter case the excitement, the spirit of military display, the confidence in yourself and officer, the anxiety to get at the enemy, all these combine to impel the men to that brilliant dash and pluck for which our army is noted.

But the patrolling—that is quite a different matter. Two or three mounted men walk their horses in a leisurely way up to the kopjes scattered all over the veldt, and examine them for signs of the enemy. Finding none, the next cover is examined, and so on. The patrols are on the open, the Boers lurking behind the boulders, hidden from sight. Possibly the first notice the unlucky man has of the vicinity of the enemy is a volley fired at close range, and then it is a race for life. I have watched these patrols from a distance, with nerves all on the quiver.

I have been with them and experienced the weird feeling that, in spite of every effort, creeps over you as you proceed closer and closer to some isolated kopje. Are the Boers there or not? Then the tension grows keener and keener until one feels it would be a relief were the enemy to open fire. From one kopje to another the patrol has to go—taking his life in his hands—doing work which, if necessary, is one of the most dangerous, arduous and trying in the service.

And if you are shot there is no glory attached to your memory. "So-and-So was shot while on patrol"; a few simple words which convey a great deal, but only to the initiated. I have been there and know, and can say without exaggeration, that I was glad when the enemy opened fire. The whizzing of the bullets all around, the rush for life, and the end of the suspense—the excitement of it was glorious.

A man's wife should always be the same, especially to her husband, but if she is weak and nervous, and uses Carter's Iron Pills, she cannot be, for they make her "feel like a different person," so they all say, and their husbands say so too!

## FIRST ANNUAL MASQUERADE.

### Eagles Make a Grand Success of Their Ball in Assembly Hall Last Evening.

Seldom has there been a jollier company gathered together than that present at the first annual masquerade ball of the Fraternal Order of Eagles, held in Assembly hall last evening. The large hall was well filled with the members of the Victoria Aerie, their wives and daughters, and many friends. The decorations were neat and pretty, red, white and blue bunting and stringers of evergreens playing a prominent part, while here and there around the hall a large Union Jack or American flag lent a little variety. There were hundreds of incandescent lights hanging from the ceiling, lending brightness to the scene. On the floor were a couple of hundred dancers in costumes which were as different as they were numerous, pretty and grotesque. This made it rather confusing for the judges, but they nevertheless gave every satisfaction in the awarding of the prizes, which were won as follows:

Finest costume, gentlemen, J. H. Maynard, King Louis IV.

Finest costume, ladies, Mrs. McDonald, Snow Queen.

Best original character representing the Eagles, Mrs. Eickoff.

Best sustained character, gentlemen, William Anderson, rooster.

Best sustained character, ladies, Mrs. Henry, school-girl.

Most comical character, gentlemen, Joseph Wachter, Eagle Grand Lodge Delegate.

Most comical character, ladies, Mrs. J. Walker, washerwoman.

Best historical character, gentlemen, M. Bridges, sixteenth century costume.

Best historical character, ladies, Miss Cartwright, Mary Queen of Scots.

Best national costume, gentlemen, J. L. Collins, Indian.

Best national character, ladies, Mrs. Perkins, Ireland.

The judges were Dr. Haynes and Messrs. E. Harris, C. J. Thompson and Harry Ross, and the referee Mr. S. J. Henderson.

Miss Bessie Whitfield won the tombola prize—a sewing machine—and Mr. D. Burnhardt the cane for the most popular Eagle. He received 26 votes, being closely followed by Mr. F. Leroy with 23.

The prizes were all very handsome ones, for which there was keen competition, and which will be greatly prized by the winners.

There was an energetic committee in charge of the arrangements, consisting of Messrs. T. M. Brayshaw, chairman; J. M. Hughes, D. R. Pottinger, M. O'Keefe and F. Leroy, secretary-treasurer. Their efforts were ably supported by every member of the order present, who did all in their power to make their guests enjoy themselves. How well they succeeded only those present can tell. At midnight they conducted them to the dining room, where the long tables had been loaded with delicacies. On the whole the ball was a grand success, and no doubt the Eagles will repeat it from year to year.

The music, which had so much to do with the success of the dance, was provided by the Fifth Regiment orchestra, who sustained their reputation for supplying good dance music.

My friend, look here! you know how weak and nervous your wife is, and you know that Carter's Iron Pills will relieve her. Now why not be fair about it and buy her a box?

## BRITISH PUBLIC MEN.

### Mr. Goldwin Smith Discusses Some Possibilities.

From the Toronto Weekly Sun.

It seems to be settled that when the South African business is over Lord Salisbury will retire. He is worn, broken and weary, as well he may be, considering what a burden he has borne, and of late without domestic solace. A prime minister ought not to hold a department; he ought to be free to overlook and control all the departments without being weighed with the details of any one of them. Had Lord Salisbury been free to overlook and control the conduct of the colonial office we should never have had the South African war. He will retire with the reputation of an honorable, wise and highly-instructed statesman, wanting only a little more strength and firmness to place him in the highest ranks. He is still an aristocrat, and probably he adheres to the belief that hereditary aristocracy is the providential antidote to democratic vulgarity and excess. He still ranks as a High Churchman. But his High Churchmanship is supposed to have been modified by his scientific pursuits, while his Toryism has of late been so far blended with something like socialism as to cause hard-shell Tories serious qualms.

There can be little doubt that his successor will be the Duke of Devonshire, a man generally respected and trusted, though far from brilliant and worthy of special admiration as having, at the call of the country, given up the life of pleasure to which in his youth he was addicted, and to which high rank and ample fortune tempted him, for one of hard work in the public service. Mr. Chamberlain is the Duke's superior, as he is the superior of most men in ability, especially in ability as a speaker; but Conservatives have not forgotten that he once flew a kite of socialistic Radicalism and warned property that it must pay a ransom for its existence. In face of such antecedents, confidence is a plant of slow growth, in the Tory, as it has been said to be in the aged, bosom. If you ask a Conservative why Mr. Balfour, the leader of the House of Commons, should not succeed to the premiership, he will have some difficulty in giving you his reasons; but they seem to amount to this, that Mr. Balfour, though extremely clever, is rather too light a weight. The report that Lord Rosebery will be foreign minister in the reconstructed government is likely enough, so far as his tastes and his aptitudes are concerned. Nor is there anything in his opinions to stand in the way, unless it be that he fails to appreciate the liveliness of the House of Lords. Even in this direction he has shown no serious tendency towards revolution. The leap from the leadership of one party to office with another is rather wide, but these are sensational days.

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# The Governor On His Trial

## Sir Hibbert Tupper Insists That Such Is the Provincial Issue.

## Strong Evidence of a Discreditable Alliance With the Present Premier.

At the Conservative mass meeting held in Chilliwack on Saturday last, in speaking of party lines, Sir Hibbert Tupper said:

"My former remarks have been misconstrued; I always have been in favor of straight party lines, but thought in any constituency where the Liberal party predominated, so as to insure the election of a Liberal candidate over a Conservative candidate, that the Liberal should not be opposed in order that there might be no question about the defeat of the Martin candidate."

In speaking of the Lieutenant-Governor's conduct in calling upon Mr. Martin to form a government, Sir Hibbert said:

"I am of the opinion that the paramount issue before the electors of this province is the conduct of the Lieutenant-Governor. While it is true that Mr. Martin represents the Lieutenant-Governor, and is responsible for his actions, it is impossible to discuss this issue without discussing the Lieutenant-Governor, and dealing with him directly. No one who values the principles of responsible government can possibly vote for Mr. Martin and his candidates, who in this contest is to all intents and purposes the Lieutenant-Governor and no one else. The position of the governor is often misunderstood, it is so far different from that of the crown that special means of punishment for wrong-doing are provided in the British North America Act; section 59 of this act contemplates his removal for cause and invests the power in the governor-general-in-council, and it is under this clause that a lieutenant-governor has been removed from office in Canada, and doubtless under this clause Sir Wilfrid Laurier has practically told the people of British Columbia that he will act, if by our votes we indicate our disapproval of the Lieutenant-Governor's conduct. It was only in 1879 that Sir Wilfrid, referring to the office of lieutenant-governor, said: 'He is amenable to the people.'"

Sir Hibbert continued: "Beginning from the time of the Turner administration the conduct of the Governor has been nothing short of scandalous, and a perusal of the despatches connected with the dismissal of the last administration and the facts connected with the formation of the Martin administration reveals an unholy alliance between Mr. McInnes and Mr. Martin. It is chiefly due to the Governor that Mr. Martin has attained political importance in this province and has been given an opportunity to do incalculable injury to it. In the first place it is laid down by Todd, the greatest authority on constitutional government, that the governor 'should of course maintain the impartiality towards rival political parties which is essential to the proper performance of the duties of that office.' That the Governor was aware of this," said Sir Hibbert, "is shown by his despatch of August 19, 1898, addressed to the Governor-General, when he says: 'Inasmuch as our mode of government is by political parties it appears to me that the lieutenant-governor, while occupying a position above parties, is nevertheless bound to take cognizance of parties and their relative standing.' Yet," continued Sir Hibbert, "a disgraceful chapter in the history of our province shows that from that time the Governor has hunted in couples with Mr. Martin and regardless of the political complexion of the local legislature and of the leaders of the different parties, has shaped his course to suit the whims and plans of Joseph Martin.

"Why," continued Sir Hibbert, "did the Lieutenant-Governor call upon Mr. Beaven to form a government? Mr. Semlin was the recognized leader for years of one side of the house and Mr. Turner of the other side. The result of the elections of 1898 found a house apparently divided equally, but at this early date Mr. Martin, a comparative stranger in the province, had begun to exert, by what means are unknown, his influence upon a gentleman who is supposed to hold the balance fairly between the political parties. The Governor explained that because he had heard (presumably through some back stairs report) that a party convention had some time before the general election been divided between Mr. Semlin and Mr. Joseph Martin as leader, he had decided to call on Mr. Beaven, but showing the back stairs influence again, the Governor continues that having found Mr. Beaven unequal to the task, he had had an interview with Mr. Martin, and in a subsequent letter addressed to Mr. Chas. A. Semlin, the Governor tells him he has called upon him (Mr. Semlin) because Mr. Martin tells him that the party he (Mr. Semlin) leads is in the ascendant. Mr. Beaven made a similar report to Mr. Semlin, saying 'Mr. Martin looks to you as the recognized leader.'

"To show what careful advice the Governor received from his henchman Mr. Martin," said Sir Hibbert, "it is only necessary to read the following statement made by that gentleman at Saanichton on April 12th, when he said: 'I declare from personal knowledge of the subject that my weakest minister is ten times more competent in his department that Mr. C. A. Semlin.'

"Contrast the Governor's reasons for dismissing Mr. Turner (he said he was convinced that Mr. Turner could not command a majority of the assembly) with the Governor's action in choosing Mr. Martin, who was unanimously repudiated by the House of Assembly; who had never been recognized as the leader of any party, in any part of Canada, who has been repudiated by the Liberal party, turned out of the government by the Semlin party, who cannot attend a Liberal convention without the assistance of four policemen, and who has had to fill his cabinet with men who have never been able to obtain the confidence of an electoral division of the province.

"The Governor's conspiracy with Mr. Martin against the rights of the people's representatives was made even more apparent by the proceedings of the legislature on February 27th, February 28th and March 1st. On February 27th it is clear that the Governor, setting at defiance all principles of constitutional government, was caballing with Mr. Martin to such an extent that Mr. Semlin was compelled to state to the house that his government had been dismissed without being able to say that any one had been called in. As for Mr. Martin, in order to hold his seat in the house it is clear that being in the confidence of the Governor the cards were arranged to suit his game, and he still remained a member of the house, although he had been practically called upon. Mr. Martin on that day was aware of the difficulty of taking a straight course, as he said: 'If the choice were made from amongst the members of the house, the gentleman called upon would cease to be a member of the house when called upon.' And on that day," continued Sir Hibbert, "by a vote of 22 to 15 the people's representatives passed a vote of want of confidence in the Semlin administration, and solemnly announced by resolution that 'In the present crisis they have sufficient control of the house.'

"On the 28th of February Mr. Joseph Martin was still a member of the house, although doubtless advising the Governor as fully and effectively as if he had accepted the call. Indeed he confessed to the house that he had been called on to form a ministry, and that he had been called in to advise the Governor, but he availed himself of some technical advantage in not admitting that he had accepted office.

"On March 1st (the third member for Vancouver having disappeared under the skirts of the Governor, and the plot having so far developed), the house, one man dissenting, resolved that it had no confidence in the third member for Vancouver City, who had been called in by the Lieutenant-Governor to form a government.

"Then came the final insult to the people's representatives and the injurious and serious blow to the business interests of the province; the vast amount of the business of the house was non-contentious legislation—private legislation awaiting enactment—and yet the Governor pounced down upon the people's representatives and sent them about their business without vouchsafing to them the slightest information as to whether they were to be dissolved or what his future course would be, notwithstanding, as is learned from Mr. Martin's address to the electors of Vancouver, that he (Mr. Martin) had made a bargain with the Governor that he be granted a dissolution and a general election would take place as soon as it suited his convenience!

"In the face of the above facts Mr. Martin has the temerity in that same address to pen the following lines: 'The legislative assembly declared their want of confidence in the Semlin government.' It would only be a child in constitutional history who in the fact of the above resolution would claim under the above circumstances that a defeat on the redistribution bill was tantamount to a deliberate vote of want of confidence. The rest of the disgraceful conduct of the Governor was seen in the leave which was practically given to Mr. Martin to take his own time in ransacking the province for men who would serve with him, some of them being men practically engaged at so much a month, while he was permitted to prolong indefinately either the calling of the house together or its dissolution, until under the lash from Ottawa an election was announced for June 9th.

"Outside of Mr. McInnes and Mr. Martin it is clear that from March 1st until June 9th the province is without a real executive; it is practically to be governed by two gentlemen in defiance of constitutional practice and constitutional usage; the hitherto unquestioned right of parliament to advise the Sovereign as to administration has been ignored; we have the introduction of personal will, instead of the reasons of state in connection with the acts of the chief of the executive; we have personal motives in dismissing ministers and calling upon ministers, which is strictly forbidden by constitutional rule. Todd, the constitutional authority referred to before, tells us the selection of a prime minister is practically limited by parliamentary approval, and he goes on to say that on dismissal it is customary to send for the recognized leader of the opposition, 'or some other person of known weight and influence in either house of parliament who is capable of leading successfully the political party to which he belongs.'

"Bagehot, the great writer, sums up his practical views of English government by stating that the cabinet is 'a board of control, chosen by the legislature, by whom it is trusted and is known.' What legislature," said Sir Hibbert, "will ever trust and know the Martins, the Beebes and the Ryders?.

However," continued Sir Hibbert, "Mr. Martin instead of ever having been the leader of a party has boasted that he is a smasher and wrecker, and he is corroborated in this by the leading Liberals of Winnipeg, who knew him well.

"Mr. Isaac Campbell in explaining why Sir Wilfrid Lourier would not take Mr. Martin into his cabinet used these words, 'To appoint Mr. Martin would have been to place the government over a powder mine.'"

Sir Hibbert warned those present that Mr. Martin was making wildest and most reckless promises at every place he spoke for the purpose of diverting public attention from the constitutional scandal which had been perpetrated by Mr. McInnes, his political wet-nurse.

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## ABOUT THE BASUTOS.

### History, Manners and Habits of a Tribe of South Africans of Whom Much Is Heard.

We have heard so much lately about the Basutos that probably a brief pen picture of this interesting South African tribe and its equally interesting country and manners will be acceptable. No one was surprised to hear, when the Boers invaded Natal, that the Basutos wished to wipe out old scores by attacking the Boers of the Free State, towards whom they harbor anything but the kindliest of feelings. Then, again, those who know the Basutos of old and their weaknesses were not greatly astonished to learn the possibility of their yielding to the wiles of their old enemies and joining in the crusade against British supremacy. Basutos can be bought over like other people, and only a man like Sir Godfrey Lagden, the commissioner, could hope to succeed in keeping them in check.

The Basutos were first formed into a single tribe by a chief named Moshesh about 1818. In 1852 they fought against the British, and were defeated, but their country was not annexed. From 1856 to 1868 they were continually at loggerheads with the Orange Free Staters, and were only saved from destruction by being taken under British protection. In 1871 Basutoland was annexed to Cape Colony, but that did not suit the natives, who subsequently rebelled (1879-80), the end of the pother being that the Imperial government took over the country and an annual subsidy of £18,000 from Cape Colony toward the cost of administration. The territory is governed by a resident commissioner under the direction of the high commissioner for South Africa, but the chiefs adjudicate on cases between natives, with a right of appeal to the magistrates' court.

Out of a population of over 250,000, only about 600 are whites, who either fill government appointments or are traders. White traders or settlers are at present only allowed in the country on sufferance. If a man desires to start a store, or "winkel," he must first make friends with the chief of the district, for, if the chief refuses, the would-be trader will have to remain a would-be. Basuto chiefs have their price, like most other folk, and if they have a particular weakness it is for a well-bred horse or bull. Once the trader has opened his store he has practically a monopoly of the trade of his district. There are only about 70 of these stores throughout the country, so it goes without saying that they must do fairly well.

The life of the Basutos is fairly interesting in many respects. The country has been termed the granary of South Africa, and it might more amply justify the title if the natives were endowed with a little more perseverance and up-to-dateness. With the exception of the mountainous regions, the country from end to end is dotted over with patches of grain—wheat, oats, barley, mealies and Kaffir-corn. The methods of cultivation, however, are primitive to a degree. Women are largely employed in the fields, and oxen are yoked to the plows. The furrows are very shallow, and when once the seed is sown, the rest is left to nature. As a result, the crops are generally about one-eighth of what they ought to be. The roads of Basutoland are unutterably wretched, and there isn't a bridge in the whole of the well-watered territory.

There is a widespread belief that gold exists in paying quantities in various parts of Basutoland, but no thorough prospecting has ever taken place, simply because the natives will not allow it. Diamonds too have been found, and at least one chief wins his own coal from a seam within his district. But as for the white man entering the country and revealing its mineral wealth—"No, no, no," cries the Basuto. Whether the underground treasures will always remain hidden one cannot say.

The one common failure of the average Basuto man is laziness. While their women folk are laboring in the fields, they prefer to drink "itjwala" (Kaffir beer) and gossip and smoke, or career about madly on their fleet Basuto ponies. Very little of the cultivation of the soil is done by the men. With their babies strapped across their backs—and every woman seems to possess a baby—the women will often remain in the fields from daybreak till afternoon. Physically the Basuto is almost the equal of a Zulu. He is honest and straightforward, and hospitable to strangers. That he is a noble warrior, as well as a brave one, is proved by the fact that the Basuto war was not marked by any terrible atrocities and the slaying of helpless settlers such as were common in the campaigns farther north and east.

As to the future of Basutoland there are two courses open—re-annexation to Cape Colony, or the continuance of the present system. Both alternatives have strong advocates. The Cape farmers would like re-annexation and the privilege of settling on this fertile and well-watered land; but one great objection to this would be the introduction of alcohol, which is now prohibited. On the other hand, many people would like to watch the experiment of the Basutos working out their own salvation, aided simply by the missionary and education, and there is no reason to doubt a successful result. The climate is good; the land is fertile and held in common; the gold-seeker and land grabber are rigidly excluded, and, in short, all the conditions tend towards the building up of an ideal country—a happy commonwealth.

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## ON THE WARPATH.

### Uprising May Occur Among Chilkat Tribe—Greatly Excited Over Horton Murder.

The Seattle Times of Tuesday says:

To-day's news from Alaska shows the Chilkat Indians at the head of Lynn Canal to be greatly wrought up over the arrest of a dozen of their fellows as a result of the Horton double murder. There are ten Chilkats to every white person, great or small, about Haines Mission on Chilkoot Inlet, Chilkat river and Klukwan. An uprising, which may occur, would result disastrously to the whites if it should happen to occur quickly.

A big pow-wow and native feast was arranged by the Chilkats to occur at Haines on the 4th inst. to discuss the matter from a native standpoint. Most all the Alaska papers were writing big headlines and publishing long stories about the case. The pow-wow was to be a meeting of the big chiefs of the Chilkats and the Sitkas, and the life of the brave man who confessed the murder in the first place is not worth much from the talk of the Indians. There has been a good deal of loud talk among them; it has even gone as far as to suggest an uprising against the whites. This was suggested on Sunday evening, coolly and calmly; but an old chief got up and said that when one white man was killed one hundred came to avenge him and perhaps a thousand, and this threw a damper on the enthusiasm.

The meeting, however, clung tenaciously to the life for a life theory, and upon this there was a quarrel between the Chilkats and the Sitkas. The whole of the prisoners held at Skagway, with exception of one, are of the Sitka tribe, hence the hot words. But it was determined to hold a feast in the evening, at which it would be definitely decided what is to be done should more than two Indian lives be offered up by the whites for the killing of Mr. Bert Horton and his wife.

A Haines correspondent of the Daily Alaskan of Skagway, writing April 2, said that it was the members of the Chilkat tribe that were chiefly interested in the murder of Mr. and Mrs. Bert Horton. It has been said by different members of the Chilkat tribe that if more than two of the Indians suspected of the murder of the Hortons, and now under arrest, are hung, they will see that more white lives are taken to even up the score.

It has lately been made known at Haines that the powder and supply house owned by C. A. Carmichael of Skagway, and his associates, Murray and Brandon, who were operating on a quartz claim near that place, was blown up by a party of Chilkat Indians who passed down the river a few days before the murder of the Hortons. E. W. Murray and wife and Mr. Brandon had been living at the camp near the powder house during the early part of last fall, and had occasion to go to Haines for supplies. When down the river and near the outskirts of the town, they looked back up the river and saw a canoe load of Indians putting in toward the powder house.

Although they were too far away to be recognized it is supposed that probably some of the men in the Horton case know of the blowing up of this house. The same night that the canoe party were seen the powder house was blown up. The loss was several hundred dollars, probably $500.

The Chilkat Indians are above the average native in intelligence. Many are enlightened and wear better clothes than their white neighbors, and have more of the world's goods, and these members of the tribe express deep regret for the misdeeds of the members of the tribe, and do not expect to see further trouble between the natives and the whites.

Yet the naked fact remains that the number of natives on the Chilkat river at Kluckwan, on the Chilkoot inlet, at Haines and on the Chilkat inlet, is ten Chilkats for every white man and child in the country, and that with an uprising fomented among these natives, as has been done among Indians and amid like surroundings, it would be possible for a murderous raid here.

Beyond a doubt there are here, as among all native tribes, lawless and desperate characters ready to go ahead with any deviltry and trouble for the rest, but there is little apprehension on the score of an absolute outbreak from the fact that the older men in the tribes refuse to take part in these meetings.

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Meteorological Office,
Victoria, April 17.—8 p.m.

SYNOPSIS.

The barometer remains moderately high on the Coast and is rising again. A low area of energy covers the province and the Northwest, its centre being at Edmonton; a trough of low pressure also covers the Plateau region of the Pacific States. It was probably the passage to the northward of this low area which was indicated by yesterday's parhelia.

TEMPERATURES.

| | Min. | Max. |
|---|---|---|
| Victoria | 45 | 66 |
| New Westminster | 40 | 66 |
| Kamloops | 40 | 70 |
| Barkerville | 36 | 54 |
| Calgary | 24 | 68 |
| Winnipeg | 18 | 48 |
| Portland, Ore. | 50 | 78 |
| San Francisco | 48 | 56 |

FORECASTS.

For 24 hours from 5 a.m. Pacific time), Wednesday:

Victoria and Vicinity—Strong westerly winds, decreasing in force; mostly fair, and somewhat cooler, with occasional showers.

Lower Mainland—Partly cloudy and cooler, with occasional showers.

VICTORIA DAILY RECORD.

Report for 24 hours ending 5 p.m. Observations taken daily at 5 a.m., noon and 5 p.m.

TUESDAY, April 17.

| | Deg. | | Deg. |
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| 5 a.m. | 46 | Mean | 55 |
| Noon | 54 | Highest | 66 |
| 5 p.m. | 57 | Lowest | 45 |

The velocity and direction of the wind were as follows:

5 a.m. ........ Calm.
Noon ........ 12 miles south.
5 p.m. ........ 24 miles west.

Average state of weather—Fair.
Sunshine—7 hours 30 minutes.
Barometer at noon—Observed ........ 29.956
Corrected ........ 29.960

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## Nearly All of Recent Shiploads Now Started for Their Destinations.

## Summer Service for E.&N. Co. Steamers—The Clayoquot Disabled.

Since the arrival in this city of the many Japanese immigrants brought by the Riojun-maru and the Goodwin, all the Japanese boarding houses, missions, and other places of accommodation have been taxed to the utmost to shelter the newcomers. At the outset Sanitary Officer Wilson found that numerous cases of overcrowding presented themselves, and in order that the general health of the city might not be thus endangered, he at once took measures to distribute the transient visitors among such large and vacant buildings as were available for use. It is one excellent feature of the case that these Japanese will not stay long in Victoria, and even now the tax upon accommodation can easily be met. To illustrate how rapidly these immigrants are cleared from Victoria, it may be stated that with the sailing of the Victorian this morning practically all of the passengers by the two named steamers will have left the city. The C. P. N. Co. have during the last three days sold considerably more than 1,000 tickets to Japanese outward, while the Victorian has also received her full quota, 250 tickets or more being disposed of yesterday. One of the Japanese officials here has made the statement that fully 60 per cent. of the two or three thousand arrivals during the present year have been in America before. Over in Vancouver the health authorities appear to be taking equally intelligent precautions, following the suit of their conferes in this city. The Colonist correspondent wires: "Three hundred Japanese immigrants arrived by the Islander to-day, and according to Health Inspector Marrion three hundred more will arrive to-morrow. Mr. Marrion says he will take action at once, and if he find that the Japs cannot be housed without the health by-laws being broken, he will enforce the laws. He says there is no room in Vancouver for the present influx of Japanese."

### NEW SCHEDULE ADOPTED.

Summer Arrangements For the E. & N. Railway's Fleet of Steamers.

The fine passenger steamers City of Nanaimo and Joan, together with the reconstructed and very comfortable Thistle, having now been put in the very best of running order, the summer steamer schedule of the Esquimalt & Nanaimo railway company has been completed and will go into effect on Monday next. On and after that date the City of Nanaimo will sail every Monday at noon from Evans, Coleman & Evans' wharf, Vancouver, for Texada, Shoal Bay and way ports, via Chatham Point, returning on Tuesdays via Van Anda and way ports to Vancouver. On Thursdays at 7 a. m. the same steamer sails from her Vancouver dock for Van Anda, Comox, Union Wharf and way ports, and at midnight (on Thursdays also) from Union Wharf for Nanaimo, where she connects with the E. & N. trains and also the steamer Joan for Vancouver. On Saturdays at 7 a. m. the City of Nanaimo goes from the Coal City to Union Wharf, Comox, Van Anda, way ports and Vancouver. The Joan by the new schedule is to maintain the Nanaimo-Vancouver daily service, sailing from Nanaimo at 7 a. m. each day but Sunday, and from Vancouver on arrival of the C. P. R. Pacific express at 1 o'clock or thereabouts. The Thistle sails from Victoria at 7 a. m. on Mondays for Nanaimo and way ports; from Nanaimo at 7 a. m. on Tuesdays for Comox and way ports; from Comox at 7 a. m. on Wednesdays for Nanaimo and way ports; from Nanaimo at 4 a. m. on Thursdays for Victoria and way ports; from Victoria at 7 a. m. on Fridays for Nanaimo and way ports, connecting with the City of Nanaimo for Union Wharf and Comox; and from Nanaimo at 4 a. m. on Saturdays for Victoria and way ports. The new service will afford to passengers admirable opportunities for conveniently visiting the mining districts of the Gulf and inner channel, and also should win a large passenger traffic by reason of the scenic attractions which the route possesses, but of which all too few Victorians have any knowledge.

### WITH A BROKEN SHAFT.

Steamer Clayoquot Is Being Towed Home by the Willapa—Mining Notes of the Coast.

The little steamer Clayoquot, of which Mr. Thomas Earle, M. P., is the principal owner, has come to grief on the rough western seaboard, while returning from Clayoquot, to which point she had been despatched with tinplate and other supplies for the salmon cannery. According to a telegram received yesterday from Alberni by a member of the Colonist staff, she broke her shaft while passing Wreck Bay (just opposite Ucluelet) and perhaps four hours' run from the village of Clayoquot. The captain and several of the crew landed with her boat on the beach and walked up the coast until they secured sloops, with which they returned to Clayoquot. There is said to be three feet of water in the hold of the unlucky little steamer, and the steamer Willapa, homeward bound from her regular trip to Clayoquot, now has the cripple in tow and is bringing her to Victoria. The latest news from the West Coast brought by the Willapa to Alberni is to the effect that a splendid vein of ore has been struck in the Castle mine, Bear River; while important strikes of valuable copper have rewarded the energetic efforts of the prospectors on Sidney Inlet.

### 'LONGSHOREMEN IN DEMAND.

Although Highest Wages Are Paid, the Local Supply of Freight Handlers Is Limited.

Local steamship men and stevedores are complaining of a scarcity of 'longshore labor, only 21 men being available to discharge the Goodwin on Monday evening, and all but four of these being comparatively inexperienced hands. Operations would have been very much delayed and it not been for the kindness of the master of the Elginshire in allowing his crew to assist the shore brigade. 'Longshoremen here, although there is no union, are paid the highest standard rates of wages on the Pacific Coast, viz., 30 cents an hour for all usual day labor, and 40 cents for night and Sunday work.

### GOSSIP OF THE DOCKS.

Victorian to Take n Overhaul—A Charter at a Top-Notch Price.

Steamer Victorian is to arrive at 8 a. m. to-day.

The R. M. S. Empress of China was at Yokohama yesterday.

Steamer City of Seattle sails for the North from Vancouver on the 24th.

Steamer Tees is due to-night from Northern river ports, to sail again on Saturday.

The American liner New York arrived at the port from which she takes her name, last evening.

Steam collier Bristol passed quarantine yesterday on her way to the Ladysmith bunkers for cargo.

Steamer Queen is due to-night from San Francisco, while the Umatilla sails to-morrow night for that port.

Steamer Cottage City is due early in the morning of the 21st from the North, to sail again five days later.

Steam collier Wellington is to go on the Esquimalt marine ways on her next trip, for cleaning and overhauling.

Steamer R. P. Rithet, having been completely overhauled and refitted, is now about ready to leave the Victoria marine ways. She is in much better condition than at any time during the past ten years.

British ship Lord Templeton, recently purchased by a Victoria company and the latest acquisition to the tonnage of the port, has been spoken in 56.32 S., 82.37 W., bound to San Francisco from Newcastle.

The bark Colorado, which has just gone up to the collieries to load for Juneau, has in her repairing furnished considerable profitable work for Victoria ship carpenters, her bill being in the neighborhood of $2,000.

Steamer Yosemite is at the outer dock, loading 250 tons of Oriental freight ex Riojun-maru for Vancouver.

Steamship Empress of Japan sails outward to-morrow evening. Several passengers are waiting for her in this city, including Miss Nellie Ratty, who is going as a nurse to Manila.

Ship Elginshire, now discharging general cargo at the outer wharf, has been chartered for wheat from Puget Sound at the highest rates yet paid on the Pacific Coast—in the neighborhood of 41s. 3d. She had refused a charter for lumber at an even better figure.

Steamer Amur, which sails to-night for Skagway and other Northern ports, will include among her passengers M. King's party bound to Bennett, and P. Hickey and his crew, bound for Port Simpson. Mr. King is taking in a large quantity of machinery for a new sawmill to be erected in the North.

On completing her Sunday trip this week the steamer Victorian is to be laid off for her summer overhauling, which will occupy a week or ten days. Her service while this is being done will be taken by the Utopia, which will sail from Seattle at 8:30 p. m. daily, arriving here at 6:30 in the morning, if she has good luck, and leaving again at 8:30.

### THE POPE AND ENGLAND.

A correspondent of the Montreal Star referring to the letter of Cardinal Rampolla to the Duke of Norfolk, and to the news of the Duke's resignation of the office of postmaster-general, in order that he might join the British army at the front, both of which have been widely published, offers the following comment:

"We do not agree with the London Times in thinking that Cardinal Rampolla, in his letter to the Duke of Norfolk, should have been more explicit, nor that England's premier nobleman has gone to South Africa because of pro-Boer tendencies at the Vatican, as stated in Monday evening's telegram. A man in the Pope's exalted and responsible position may have the gravest reasons for abstaining from a formal decision as to the merits of the great war. The British Empire is not alone on this planet, and he who considers himself and is held by over 260,000,000 people as the vicegerent of Christ, must take into account the effect of his words on the collectivity of nations.'

That the holy father should deeply sympathize with Britain is not to be wondered at. Catholics number about 12,000,000 among the 400,000,000 in the Empire. Were such a power anything but friendly to the church, nothing would be easier than to persecute her in the countless ways, subtle and distressing, in which some so-called Catholic governments are extensively dealing. Now, the very reverse is the case. Where England is strongest there is the Catholic church freest. In London, at Gibraltar, and Malta, in India and Ceylon, where a mere sign from Downing street would ensure the destruction of every Catholic mission, the church is far more at ease than in Rome itself. One hundred and seventy Roman Catholic bishops are at present living under the British flag, carrying on their ministry not only untrammelled, but in every sense protected. What the late Pope Pius IX solemnly declared to a large meeting of English Catholics at the Vatican, in May 1877, is as true now as then, viz., 'At present the British government alone in Europe gives full satisfaction to the Holy See.'

"But it were a mistake to suppose that the present distinguished incumbent of the papacy has confined its utterances to vague sumapthy for our Empire in its South African war. Besides declining any share of responsibility in the wild sayings of the Osservatore Romano (attributable chiefly to ignorance), the holy father, some three weeks ago, received in private audience Mgr. Riddell, bishop of Northampton, who presumably by the pontiff's desire, published a statement to the effect that the Pope strongly urges all British Catholics to be loyal to their Queen and country. Now such a declaration from a conscientious Pope would be impossible were the war an unjust one, as a mere glance at Roman theology can evidence. No Catholic may voluntarily take up arms for an unjust cause; and the encouragement to do so coming from the head of the church would be a crime so monstrous that we doubt if the annals of history hold an example of the kind. Twenty-five per cent. of the officers in South Africa and a far greater percentage of privates are Roman Catholics. They have left for the front without one word from their bishops to detain the volunteers; they have been provided with chaplains and every means of attending to their spiritual concerns. These are facts more eloquent than mere words. Consequently we may rest assured that although for reasons many and grave, no formal judgment on this war has been pronounced, and while deploring all manner of bloodshed, Leo XIII, one of the greatest living lights, is not opposed to our Imperial sacrifices in the cause of civilization, enlightenment and religious freedom."


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## Letters to The Editor

### FIREMEN'S TOURNAMENT.

Sir: With reference to a Firemen's Tournament on the Queen's Birthday. It would be unwise to consider the proposition at this late day. The competing teams, especially from the interior, require over a month to organize and train. If it could be possible to have a tournament, during the summer months, a large number would attend. It is a question, also, whether it would be advisable to have the men and apparatus of the fire department in a street parade. At the last convention of the Pacific Coast Association of Fire Chiefs this matter was discussed and the general opinion expressed that there would be more or less danger, both to the city and citizens, whenever the apparatus appears on crowded streets. Another drawback is the fact that the firemen require uniforms, and, to make a creditable appearance, should be clothed as they are in all other cities. We are willing to do our level best to make the celebration a success; but would look most grotesque in a parade without a regulation uniform.

THOMAS DEASY.

### A NOVEL SCHEME.

Sir: An interesting arrangement is being attempted to reconstruct three companies in England—(1) The Bennett Lake & Klondyke Navigation Co., Ltd.; (2) The Klondyke Mining, Trading & Transportation Co., Ltd.; (3) The Klondyke Goldfields, Ltd. The idea is to form a large new company, called the "Klondyke Corporation, Ltd.", to take over and work the assets of these three companies. All the shareholders in each of these companies was to be entitled to receive one £1 share, 17s. paid up in the Klondyke Corporation for each share that he held in the old companies. There are a considerable number of shares of the Bennett Lake & Klondyke Navigation Co. held in this city by various shareholders. Imagine their astonishment on receiving a circular dated London, March 7, 1900, and which arrived in Victoria on March 24, 1900, containing the following paragraph:

"Should any shareholders fail to apply for the proportion of shares to which they are entitled, or any part thereof, by the said 24th day of March, 1900, they will forfeit their right to an allotment of shares in the new company."

As the Victoria shareholders did not receive this notice until March 24, and some of them even later, they had no possible chance afforded them to send in their applications by the date specified, the effect being that all the Victoria shareholders are frozen out of their shares, losing their whole investment.

A telegram was sent to London protesting against this summary proceeding, with the result that another circular, dated London, March 28, arrived in Victoria on April 12. This second circular stated that the time for receiving applications for the new shares had been extended to April 11. Thus adding insult to injury.

A SHAREHOLDER.

### HUNT CLUB RACES.

Sir: As a late owner of horses in England both under Jockey Club and Grand National Hunt rules, perhaps I may be allowed to write a few words with respect to the management of the excellent hunt meetings which twice a year take place under the auspices of the Victoria Hunt Club.

When I returned to Victoria from England two years ago I was delighted to find that a race meeting had been inaugurated by the above club, a very creditable state of affairs, considering the disadvantages, small number of horses, dearth of jockeys, etc. The Victoria Hunt Club were fortunate enough to secure a very good course, and the meetings have become more and more popular; the last meeting, I expect, beating all records in point of numbers.

Although the meetings are so successful, would it be out of place if I suggested that they should be conducted a little more strictly in accordance with a note I find at the bottom of the front page of my race card of 16th April, 1900, which reads: "This meeting will be regulated by the National Hunt Rules of Racing as far as possible"? I would submit that "Presidents or Vice-Presidents" have never been heard of in connection with a race meeting under National Hunt Rules. Be it understood, I am calling in question the titles and not the gentlemen who so ably filled those positions. Further, I have noticed on more than one occasion that when in the course of a race a horse has run out, if that horse has come in first, the other participators in the race have lodged an objection with the judge, who has nothing in this wide world to do with the matter. His duty is to place the horses, 1, 2, 3, as they pass the post. How can he see what has happened the other side of the course? Any objection of this nature should be lodged with the stewards, the objector at the same time lodging £5, which shall be forfeited if the objection be deemed frivolous. Again, surely the fences, (don't let us call them "hurdles," which they are not), should be built up a little more in accordance with the National Hunt Rules. I don't say that they should be the exact height or measurement laid down by those rules. I had the opportunity of inspecting most of the fences over which the horses ran yesterday, and I feel bound to say that they are not a fit trial of the jumping capability of a horse, neither in height nor substance, only about eighteen inches had to be cleared. I hope nobody that does me the honor of reading these few remarks will think they are written in the spirit of finding fault. I ask them rather to believe that I am actuated by the thought that with a little more trouble and a stricter adherence to the Grand National Hunt Rules, we might have even a better meeting than that which took place yesterday.

HARRY BURROUGHES.

### BRITISH COLUMBIA'S OFFER.

Evidence of Strange Omission to Communicate Mr. Chamberlain's Acceptance.

From the Commons Hansard.

Mr. E. G. Prior (Victoria, B.C.)—Before the orders of the day, I wish to call the attention of the Prime Minister to the papers brought down at my request in regard to the offer by the British Columbia government of a contingent for South Africa. I see fro mthese papers that the British Columbia govenrment wrote to the Sec'ry of State (Mr. Scott) saying that a hundred men and horses, with complete equipment for the horses, would be sent and transportation paid to Halifax. I also see that the Right Hon. Mr. Chamberlain, Secretary of State for the Colonies, telegraphed that that contingent would be gladly accepted by the British government if it was a unit. Then, the Prime Minister (Sir Wilfrid Laurier) telegraphed to British Columbia that the province must pay all costs and charges until the men landed in South Africa. The right hon. gentleman also telegraphed a day or two afterwards, that this contingent must be a unit of one hundred and sixty mounted men, as requested by the Secretary of State for the Colonies. Then comes a cablegram from Mr. Chamberlain saying:

Please add to my telegram of February 3——

Which refers to the offer of British Columbia.

—the following: "Her Majesty's government will defray expenses of transportation of any further contingent if enough to ship."

This cablegram shows that Her Majesty's government were ready to pay the transport of that contingent to South Africa. That is the last paper that is brought down in answer to the order for the return. I wish to ask the Prime Minister, whether, after he received that cablegram from the Secretary of State for the Colonies, he informed the government of British Columbia that if they sent a contingent of 160 men and horses their transportation would be paid by the British government to South Africa? It would seem to me that while British Columbia was willing to send 100 men, and, perhaps, pay their transportation to South Africa; if they had known that transportation would have been paid for them they would have been perfectly willing to send 160 men. I, therefore, ask the Prime Minister whether there is not some further correspondence to be brought down?

The Prime Minister (Sir Wilfrid Laurier)—All these applications were referred by me to the Minister of Militia, and I will have to make inquiries.

Mr. Prior—Perhaps the Minister of Militia and Defence (Mr. Borden) could inform me.

The Minister of Militia and Defence (Mr. Borden)—Copies of all the papers in the department have been placed in that return as far as I know. I will make further enquiry about it.


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